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PEACE PLAN SEEMS DOOMED TO FAILURE

CHINA STILL DETERMINED TO RESIST

German Effort Aimed At Preserving Japan Strength, S'hai Says

Shanghai, Dec. 4.
It is confirmed in German and Italian Embassy circles that Dr. Oscar Trautmann, German Ambassador to China, is at present having conversations with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.
Diplomatic circles in Shanghai are ignorant of details, but it is believed that the initiative for talks on peace terms did not come from the Japanese. It is further believed that in any case they are too late, owing to the Japanese military successes.
Well-informed circles here are of the opinion that Germany is anxious Japan should not penetrate deeper into China and expend effort and material which otherwise might be available against the Soviet.

It is understood that some Japanese circles are anxious to keep Chiang Kai-shek in power, as he is the only man capable of maintaining authority and preventing chaos in the Yangtze valley.

Nevertheless the general opinion is that the proposals emanating from Kuling cannot possibly succeed, as it is regarded as inconceivable that at this juncture—the Japanese army would withdraw from North China. It is considered certain that a large Japanese garrison will be maintained in central China for an indefinite period.—Reuter.

Offers To Mediate

Hankow, Dec. 4.
It is learned from official Chinese sources that Dr. Oscar Trautmann, the German Ambassador, has not made any peace proposals to the Chinese Government, but has merely communicated Berlin's offer of mediation for the cessation of the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

It is too early for any counter-proposals to be made by China.
China's stand in the present conflict is known the world over and was clearly outlined in Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's speech at Kuling last July. That position has not changed since.

China is not considering any peace plan affecting her territorial and administrative integrity. News is lacking as to the precise conditions of peace terms, but the general impression is that they may be of such a nature as to be unacceptable to China.

Integrity Must Not Be Touched

Unless Japan respects China's territorial and administrative integrity, China is unchanging in her determination to resist Japanese invasion.
Chinese leaders said while appreciating the German offer they were sceptical of its success. China is fighting a war of defence, therefore she appreciates any peace efforts, irrespective of the quarters from which they originate. China appreciated the Brussels efforts to terminate hostilities, and so equally she appreciates the present German efforts. It is another question whether such efforts will meet with success.

It is learned that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is at Kuling and not Nanking.—United Press.

Peace Propaganda

Peking, Dec. 4.
The Japanese newspapers here are "splashing" an urgent appeal to the Chinese and foreign citizens to ask for peace, urging everyone to shower advice on the Chinese Government, now in Chungking, to make peace.
Assurance is given that if telegrams to this effect are handed in, (Continued on Page 10.)

British Ships Guard Civil Population

Nanking Evacuees Shelter Aboard Hulk In River

Nanking, Dec. 4.
H.M.S. Scarab has arrived here and it is understood she will moor alongside the Jardine hulk to guard the foreign evacuees, while H.M.S. Cricket will stand off the town in order to watch developments.

Meanwhile, owing to the fact that there is no immediate urgency, only about half the British residents have embarked on the hulk prepared for them and the women of other nationalities. Five American women are still on shore.
Foreign residents ashore are prepared to embark at a moment's notice in the event of an emergency.—Reuter.

SAFETY ZONE PLAN

Nanking, Dec. 4.
Pending a direct reply to their proposals the Nanking Safety Zone Committee is actively proceeding with arrangements.
The committee has asked the Chinese military authorities to begin moving all military establishments from the zone. Members of the committee and also interested friends, observed new digging by the Chinese military at three points in the southwest portion of the zone. The committee inspected the work, reported to the Defence Commissioner and was gratified to note that orders were issued from headquarters to abandon the work.
The committee has decided to use the same symbol for marking the area as used in the Nantao zone, namely the red cross in a red circle on a white background.
Meanwhile \$100,000 has already been pledged for the scheme and Mayor Ma Chau-chun has promised 30,000 bags of rice for food. A preliminary housing survey has already been made and police have been assigned in the area for duty in all contingencies.—Reuter.

CLEMENT ATTLEE IN BARCELONA

London, Dec. 3.
It is reported from Barcelona that the opposition leader Mr. Clement Attlee and his party arrived there this afternoon.—British Wireless.

Kiangyin Forts Fall and Tanyang Evacuated

THIS GUN STOPPED TANKS



New Alarm System To Be Tested

Hongkong is to hear another alarm system tested on Monday. The following communique was issued by the Government last night:
It is notified for general information that the emergency alarm system which was tested on Tuesday last, having proved unsatisfactory, tests of an alternative alarm device will be carried out on Monday, 6 December at 9.45 a.m. This alarm will consist of a combination of the sounds of a siren and a bell, and will be transmitted from the Broadcasting Studio through loudspeakers installed at the Post Office Building and at one other point in the Central District.
As this test is being carried out on a limited scale it is not expected that the sound of the alarm will be heard outside the Central District.

STOP PRESS

TWO JAPANESE RAIDERS DOWN

Nanking, Dec. 4.
The capital experienced its 11th air raid yesterday. Chinese pursuit planes took off, but the three raiders eluded them and bombed the road near the golf course.
The air fighting was invisible from the city but it was announced that two Japanese planes had been shot down and there were no Chinese casualties.
Chinese reports state that four Japanese planes and one Chinese fighter were shot down around Nanking during aerial combats on Thursday, when two attempts to raid the city were made. One Japanese machine fell during the first raid at 11.30 a.m. when an unknown number of machines bombed the vicinity of the arsenal and aerodrome, crashing at Dajochan, outside of the city.
Three Japanese planes took part in the second raid, when two were shot down about three miles east of Chungshan Gate. A third was intercepted by Chinese fighters while on its way home and came down 11 miles west of Jungwamen Station.—Reuter.

(Further Stop Press News on Page 10.)

This new anti-tank gun, hidden in a narrow alleyway is one of the reasons Japanese forces took two months to break into Chapel. Fiercest fighting of the Shanghai campaign occurred here. Shells, in foreground, are being taken to the gun, in background. Guns such as this stopped more than one tank in action.

Pilot Killed In Crash At Munich

Munich, Dec. 3.
A heavily-laden German mail plane crashed at the chemical works here when starting on a flight to Baghdad.
The pilot was killed instantly, and the second pilot and wireless operator seriously injured. Two other members of the crew were slightly injured.—Reuter.

Anglo-U.S. Trade Pact Attacked

Rome, Dec. 4.
The Italian newspaper, *Giornale d'Italia*, in an attack on Britain, suggests that the Anglo-American trade agreement is a stranglehold on the less fortunate countries which do not possess colonial territories with raw materials.
The article is believed to have been written by Signor Benito Mussolini.—Reuter.

R.A.F. BOATS AT MALTA

London, Dec. 4.
The Royal Air Force flying boats which left Plymouth yesterday morning on the start of their long flight to Australia for the New South Wales anniversary celebrations, have arrived at Malta, via Marsailles.
The machines will remain at Malta for attention before resuming the flight later in the day.—Reuter.

BRAZIL FASCISTS DISBANDED

Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 3.
President Vargas, head of the new Brazilian Government, has issued a decree dissolving all Brazilian political parties, including the Integralist or Fascist Party.—Reuter.

London Wants To Talk To Malaya Early

Present Telephone System Not Adequate

London, Dec. 3.
In the House of Commons today Mr. R. de la Bère (Cons.) asked the Postmaster-General if facilities were obtainable whereby London could telephone Malaya at 6.30 p.m., thereby enabling conversations while the Malayan markets are operating. The proposed hours for the long-distance telephone service between England and Malaya were only between 9.30 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. Greenwich Mean Time, which would preclude this.
Major G. C. Tryon, Postmaster-General, replied that the service between Amsterdam and Netherland East Indies, over which the calls between Britain and Malaya would pass, was not opened until 9 a.m. G.M.T. Mr. de la Bère's suggestion, therefore, was impracticable, unless the Amsterdam hour of opening was advanced. He would communicate with the Netherlands administration and would write to Mr. de la Bère as soon as he heard whether an extension in the hours of service could be arranged.—Reuter.

Soviet Asks Explanation

Polish Government Hoars Protest

Moscow, Dec. 3.
The Soviet Minister at Warsaw has protested to the Polish Government against a railway incident on the border of Russia and Poland.
It is alleged that Russian railway employees were searched by the Polish authorities at the border while the Polish railway authorities forced the engine driver to drive the Soviet train back into Russian territory when it caught fire in Polish territory.
It is further alleged that Soviet officials, investigating the incident, were placed under an escort.—Reuter.

BRIDGES BLOWN UP TO HAMPER ENEMY ADVANCE

New Defence Line Ready South of Chinkiang

JAPANESE CHECKED ON OTHER FRONTS

Nanking, Dec. 4.
With the fall of the Kiangyin forts the Chinese forces on the Nanking-Shanghai Railway withdrew from Tanyang to Chinkiang yesterday morning, it is officially announced here.

A rearguard action was fought by one division of Chinese troops at Tanyang to cover the withdrawal and meanwhile all bridges on the highway between Chinkiang and Tanyang were destroyed to impede the Japanese advance.

New defence works have been completed by the Chinese forces south-east of Chinkiang where heavy fighting is anticipated.

The Japanese central column is still being checked at Liyang, whilst the attempt of their right wing to push toward Wuhu in order to cut Chinese communications between Nanking and Hankow has been frustrated by the Chinese recapture of Kwangteh and Suanchen on the Anhwei border.—Central News.

SIXTEEN HOLIDAYS FOR H.K.

Complete List Published

Sixteen Bank Holidays and general holidays will be observed in Hongkong during 1938 according to an announcement in to-day's Government Gazette, which, among other things fixes Monday and Tuesday, January 31 and February 1 as Chinese New Year holidays, and Saturday, January 1 as a public holiday for the Gregorian New Year.

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Empire Day, Tuesday, May 24.
GENERAL HOLIDAYS
The first week-day in January Saturday, January 1; Chinese New Year's Day, Monday, January 31, and Tuesday, February 1; Good Friday April 15; Saturday, April 16, and Monday, April 18; Whit Monday June 6; The Birthday of His Majesty the King Thursday, June 9; The first week-day in July, July 1; The first Monday in August Monday, August 1; The first Monday in September Monday, September 5; The tenth day of October, Monday, October 10; Armistice Day, Friday, November 11; Christmas Day, or if that day should be a Sunday, then the following day Monday, December 20; The twenty-sixth day of December, or if Christmas Day should be a Sunday, then the Tuesday following Christmas Day Tuesday, December 27.
It is notified that His Excellency the Governor has excluded the Magistrates from the operation of the Holidays Ordinance, 1912, Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, on January 1, February 1, and April 10 and 18; June 6, and August 1, September 5, October 10, and December 20.
The Imports and Exports Department will be open for the purpose of Revenue collection and issue of permits only from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on all the above days except Sunday, Christmas Day, Good Friday, Monday, October 10, and Christmas Day.

Formidable Force

Shanghai, Dec. 4.
A formidable army of Kiangsu, Chekiang and Anhwei troops which recently massed to halt the Japanese drive against Nanking is firmly holding the defence line from a point west of Tanyang to Kwangteh, according to Chinese reports.

Although fighting is reported to be raging close to Tanyang, Chinese circles claim that some of the best fighting units in the Chinese army which is placed in position around that sector are checking the Japanese drive against the town.

On the southern flank are Szechuenese troops which are reported to have recaptured Kwangteh and Sze-An after a bloody attack on Japanese positions in an attempt to recapture Changshin, strategic Chekiang city.—Reuter.

Chinese Recapture Chungteh

Hanchow, Dec. 4.
The Chinese right flank operating on the northern route has recaptured Chungteh, 30 miles north-east of Hanchow, following a surprise (Continued on Page 10.)

DARKY CHEN KILLED ON AIR RAID

Shanghai, Dec. 4.
"Darky" Chen, famous Chinese footballer, has plunged to his death in a blazing plane, spectacular as always in the last heroic and dramatic act of his life.

Raiding Japanese warships on November 24, Chen daringly powered down on his target and an anti-aircraft shell smashed his machine.

He was reputed to be one of the greatest half backs in China and had played for Shanghai many times against Hongkong and Tientsin. He was a very popular player.
Formerly with the Canton air force, Chen resigned his commission to play football, but when war broke out immediately re-enlisted.—Reuter.

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Chapped Hands

Every winter I provide my two schoolgirl daughters with warm gloves, and they never seem to wear them, in spite of all my protests. The result is that their hands get so chapped that they crack.

WELL, you know what schoolgirls are! Try to make them dry their hands properly after washing, and get a special jelly for them to use.

If they won't be persuaded to use it after each wash, see they put it on at night and their hands will keep smooth. Explain that cracked hands are dangerous, as dirt and germs can get in, and they'll soon respond.

The jelly I have in mind needs no rubbing in—the skin absorbs it at once and it is not sticky.

Dry Scalp

I notice, when I brush my hair, that a great deal of it falls out. My hair isn't very thick, and I can't afford to have it falling.

DRY SCALP is the cause of your trouble. It is responsible for dandruff and the fact that your hair "goes all ways" and is brittle and lifeless in appearance.

There is an excellent and inexpensive tonic, which I recommend you to use to cure your dry scalp. Rub a few drops well into the scalp each morning until it tingles; then brush and comb your hair.

Not a long job, but this tonic dressing will stimulate the flow of natural oils, and you will find that your hair will keep in place better, too.

COMPLEXION care is one of the chief worries now that dark days are round the corner, with fog and other signs of wintry weather.

War on Wrinkles

My neck looks so wrinkled and crepey. It does not matter in the daytime, but when I put on an evening frock it looks awful. Can I do anything for this?

I EXPECT you are one of those people who have been careful to use cream or skin food on their faces, but have forgotten all about looking after their necks.

Spare some of your usual face cream for your neck and massage it well in every night. This will help to feed up the skin, but don't expect to see miracles too quickly, as it will take a little time.

Complexion Blemishes

I have been suffering from acidity in my system recently, and, as a result, my skin looks far from nice. It seems greasy, and my powder won't stay on.

LOTS of people suffer this way, and, of course, acidity quickly spoils your complexion. First, look to your diet. Take only limited quantities of meat, sugars and starches, and increase the milk, fruit, and vegetables.

Hand in Glove

MITTENS, both short and long, are worn with the picture type of evening frock. They are demure and youthful looking.

Many net and lace gloves are so elaborately trimmed with crystals and diamonds that they are sufficient ornamentation to the arms without the addition of bracelets.

For day wear, the newest idea is to have gloves matching handbag and belt. Paris has made quite a feature of these.

A set in soft leather has small cartridge roll trimmings. Another in black antelope is finished with four shaped pieces of finely pleated suede in a contrast colour, and a matching open-work punched design is used by a third set.

The latter are valuable, as they neutralise the condition.

You probably know that Milk of Magnesia counteracts internal acidity. Now it can be used externally as well, as it is incorporated in two special face creams.

There is a texture cream which you can use under your powder, and a cleansing cream for bedtime. I think these hints will soon give you back a pretty complexion and will correct the blemishes.

Slimming the Hips

I am not really overweight, but my hips seem much too big and it spoils my figure. Can you suggest any exercises I might do?

PERHAPS you would like to send me a stamped, addressed envelope for my list of special exercises for reducing the hips.

Do these every morning and you will soon see an improvement.

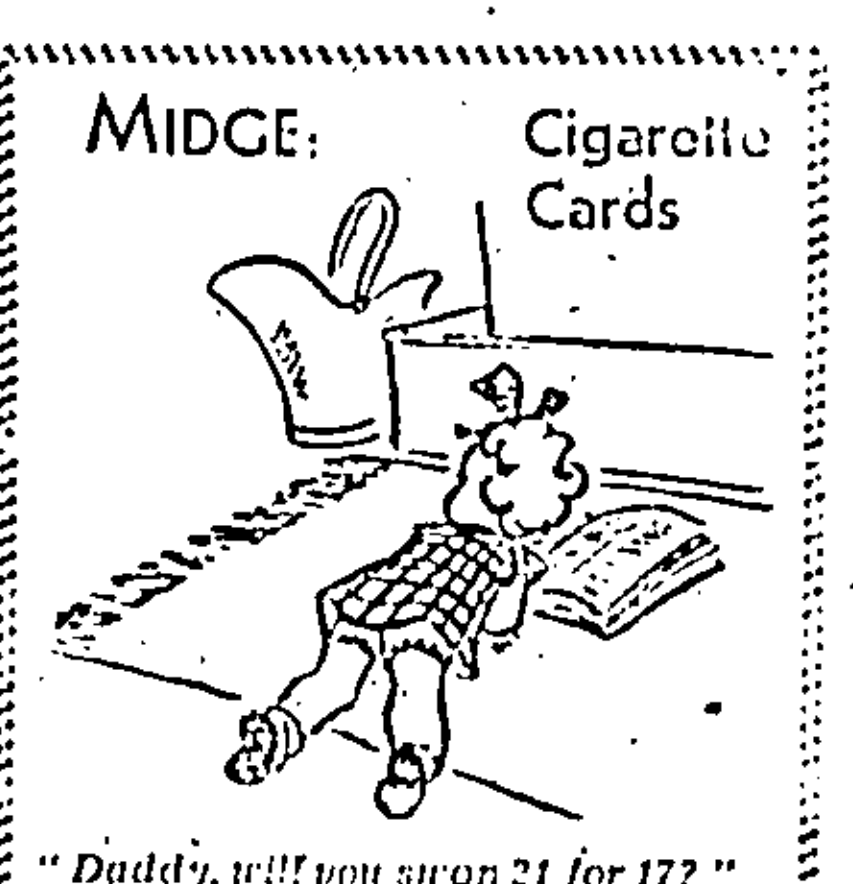
Hair Beauty

My hair waves easily so I shampoo and set it myself. I have noticed lately that there is a grey film on my brush, and my hair looks dull—not glossy as it used to be.

THE hard water in your district may have a lot to do with it, as it makes rinsing and lathering more difficult.

Why don't you try a liquid shampoo for a change? It lathers up beautifully and rinses away with only one lot of water, leaving no film behind.

You'll find your hair glossy and easy to set yourself. Also, you might wish your brush with the same preparation.



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you'll find that the bristles will come beautifully clean.

Facing the Wind

My skin doesn't chap usually, but my face gets painfully windburnt during cold weather.

HONEY is one of the oldest of beauty treatments, and that's what your skin needs. Of course, you won't want to use it straight from the hive. I suggest a cream which contains both honey and almond—another well-tried beautifier. It will give your skin protection.

By the way, the firm which makes this preparation has a charming beauty gift case which contains this cream and two others, besides a box of face powder. The price is 2s. complete in a nice box.

Split Nails

My job keeps me at the typewriter, and my nails are in a wretched condition as a result. They are discoloured and they split badly.

PEOPLE who type a lot should keep their nails rather short. Shape them nicely, but don't let them grow beyond the finger-tips, or they'll soon break. Your nails need nourishing. You'll find that a few minutes a day spent with a nail brush, and a special preparation which is rich in oils, will soon make your finger-tips pretty again. They'll become smooth and will stop splitting.

Too Dry Skin

I'm one of those people who can't wash their faces. My skin goes "flaky" so I have to cleanse it with

cream. Somehow this is making it greasy and I never feel fresh. Have you any suggestions?

DON'T worry. Lots of people can't wash their faces and this usually indicates a too-dry condition. If your skin is getting greasy you are probably using a cream which is too heavy for you.

I know of one which will coax away every bit of dirt and powder, and should suit your complexion well.

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ABBREVIATIONS.—K knit, p purl, st stitch, tog together, beg beginning, inc increase (by working into the back and then into the front of a st).

The p side of the work is the right side.

BACK

With No. 12 needles cast on 102 sts and rib (k 1, p 1) for 3 inches. Inc 3 sts (at beginning, centre and end) of the last row of ribbing (105 sts). Change to No. 8 needles and begin pattern. 1st row: P. 2nd row: K 3, p 1. * k 6, p 1, repeat from *, ending row k 3. Repeat these 2 rows for 9½ inches.

TO SHAPE ARMHOLES.—Cast off 3 sts at the beg of the next 2 rows, k 2 tog at the beg and end of the next 4 rows, and k 2 tog at beg and end

of the next 3 alternate rows. Continue on the 85 remaining sts until the armhole measures 9½ inches (measuring straight).

TO SHAPE SHOULDERS.—Cast off 10 sts at beg of the next 4 rows and cast off 8 sts at the beg of the next 2 rows. Cast off remainder.

LEFT FRONT

With No. 12 needles cast on 54 sts and rib (k 1, p 1) for 3 inches. Inc 9, inc in next st, repeat from * 4 times more, rib to end (59 sts). Change to No. 8 needles and begin pattern.

1st row: P until 7 sts remain, rib 7. 2nd row: Rib 7, * k 6, p 1, repeat from *, ending row k 3. Repeat these 2 rows for 9½ inches.

TO SHAPE ARMHOLE.—Cast off 3 sts at armhole end of next row, k 2

tog at same end of next 4 rows and k 2 tog at same end of next 3 alternate rows. Continue on the 49 remaining sts until the armhole measures 4 inches (measuring straight).

TO SHAPE FOR NECK.—Work in pattern to ribbing at front edge, turn, leaving the 7 sts in ribbing on stitch-holder meantime. Cast off 2 sts at neck end of alternate rows 5 times, k 2 tog at same end of alternate rows 4 times.

Work 2 rows on the 28 remaining sts, slope shoulders by casting off 10 sts at armhole end of alternate rows twice, then cast off the 8 remaining sts.

RIGHT FRONT

As left, reversing shaping and front border. Work the line thus:—Rib 4, * inc in next st, rib 9, repeat from * 4 times more. The first row of the

pattern will be:—Rib 7, p to end of row.

2nd row: K 3, * p 1, k 6, repeat from * until 7 sts remain, rib 7.

Make buttonholes on this front, the first, one inch from commencement, the second on the last 2 rows of ribbing, and 5 more at intervals of 2½ inches. Make buttonholes thus:—Rib 3, cast off 3, k 1, complete row. On next row cast on 3 over those cast off.

NECK RIBBING: Join shoulders. With No. 8 needles slip the sts from stitch-holder at right front border, pick up and k 20 sts from shaped part at right side of neck, 28 sts across back of neck, 20 sts from shaped part at left side of neck, and rib across the 7 sts at left front border (82 sts). Rib (k 1, p 1) for one row.

On next 3 rows make a buttonhole. Rib 2 rows more. Cast off in ribbing.

SLEEVES (both alike)

With No. 12 needles cast on 48 sts and rib (k 1, p 1) for 3 inches. Inc 1 st at end of last row (49 sts). Change to No. 8 needles and work in pattern as detailed on back.

Inc 1 st at beg and end of 9th and every succeeding 6th row until there are 72 sts on the needle. Continue without further shaping until the sleeve measures 18 inches.

TO SHAPE TOP OF SLEEVE.—Cast off 2 sts at the beg of every row until 20 sts remain. Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Press the knitting, except ribbing, on the wrong side with a hot iron over a damp cloth. Sew sleeves into armholes, then join side and sleeve seams. Over-cast buttonholes and sew on buttons. Press all seams.



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Rich Girl Gaoled For 8 Months On Manslaughter Charge

By A Special Correspondent

Gloucester, Nov. 4.
MISS BETTY HERMIONE DURANCE CARTWRIGHT, wealthy joint Master of a Gloucestershire pack (of hedges, limped on her crutches from the dock at Gloucestershire Assizes this evening to face eight months' imprisonment in the second division. She is twenty-five.

A jury acquitted her of the manslaughter of James Leslie Perry, a motorcyclist, and his mother, Mrs. Lilian Rachel Perry, passenger in his sidecar.

They found her guilty of dangerous driving, and of driving while under the influence of liquor.

Mr. Justice Finlay passed sentence. He also suspended her driving licence for five years.

Crowds of women who had followed the car in which earlier she was driven at a snail's pace through Gloucester's narrow streets melted away from the prison gates.

MOTHER'S EVIDENCE

Meanwhile another car drove away from the Shire Hall to Greystones, Rodborough Common, Miss Cartwright's home, fourteen miles away.

It contained elderly Mrs. Marie Louisa Cubitt, the girl's mother, distraught by the verdict.

Mrs. Cubitt, earlier in the afternoon, had told the judge and jury that her daughter smoked far too much and began to smoke too soon, but she had never seen her under the influence of drink.

While the jury were out considering their verdict—it took them forty minutes—the dock, which Miss Cartwright continued to occupy, resembled a box at an opera house.

The buzz of hundreds of people chattering and speculating on the results of the case, both in the public gallery and the well of the court, was deafening.

Miss Cartwright herself joined in the chatter, while the two women prison officers sat silent behind her.

Mrs. Cubitt opened the wooden door of the dock and sat with her daughter for a few minutes. She produced a vanity case, powdered her nose, then returned to her seat near by.

Then Mr. Geoffrey Saunders, tall, black-moustached friend of Miss Cartwright, who had said that he was the purchaser of a bottle of whisky and a bottle of ginger wine found in her car after the accident, leaned on the dock rails, talking to the girl.

Other women friends spoke to her. The jury returned.

Miss Cartwright, pale, tight lipped, stood on her crutches—supported by the two women prison officers.

OPERATION PLEA

She listened expressionless as the foreman reiterated the word "Guilty."

Then her counsel pleaded for a postponement of the sentence while Miss Cartwright underwent an operation for her broken leg. (The accident occurred while she was playing golf in Ireland.)

There was a pause. The judge held a long whispered consultation with the governor of Gloucester Gaol.

Then he turned to the girl in the dock. Again Miss Cartwright staggered to her feet on her crutches.

The judge addressed her: "Now, Betty Cartwright, this you must know yourself—and you are quite intelligent enough to know it—is a most serious thing."

"You have been found guilty by the verdict of a Gloucestershire jury not only of driving your car to the danger of the public, but of driving under the influence of drink. This is a most grave thing for a young girl brought up in your conditions, with your education and your background."

He spoke of the plea that she should be operated on before she went to prison. Then he went on: "I propose to sentence you in spite of that."

"It would indeed be wrong if the sentence I am about to pass in any way jeopardised your well being."

"In cases of this sort the Secretary of State will either give direction that a prisoner may be sent out to a hospital for the purposes of the operation, or in the admirable hospitals of His Majesty's prisons an operation may be performed."

Mr. Justice Finlay's final words were an afterthought. "You will be



Tootsie Gareja a recent winner in the "Telegraph" Children's Competition. (Photogram Studio).

Girl Writes To Hitler 'Please Free Mummy'

A postcard from Warsaw addressed in a childish scrawl to "Mr. Hitler, Germany," which bears the words, "Please set my mummy free Dzia Dzia Countess Wielopolska," has arrived at the Reich Chancellery, but it is unlikely to have reached Herr Hitler's desk.

It was written by the six-year-old daughter of 28-year-old Countess Octavia Boregia Wielopolska, arrested by Gestapo secret police in the Warsaw-Paris express two months ago.

Every German lawyer asked to defend her refuses at once on hearing that it is a "foreign spy case," without even waiting to be given names and details.

WIDOW SAVED FROM SUTTEE Intervention By Two Europeans

Prompt intervention by two British officials saved the life of an Indian woman who was about to commit suttee at Talia, near Cawnpore (United Province).

Overwhelmed with grief at the death of her husband she was about to mount the funeral pyre on which his body lay when Mr. L. Owen, Collector, Cawnpore, and Mr. G. A. Pearce, superintendent of police, arrived.

Despite her fearful protests, the widow was persuaded to leave the pyre, and the interrupted funeral rites were resumed without further incident.

Human Hair Goes Into Rugs

Berlin. Every hair, no matter what length it is, cut clipped or shaven from a Nazi head during the next year, will go into the manufacture of carpets, felt and roofing material. This is Germany's latest plan for conserving raw materials.

debarred from driving a motor-car for five years. The licence of this year will be endorsed in a proper manner."

Miss Cartwright was slated to have drunk three cocktails and a gin and French between 6 and 7, half a glass of hock cup during dinner, and two liqueur brandies after dinner.

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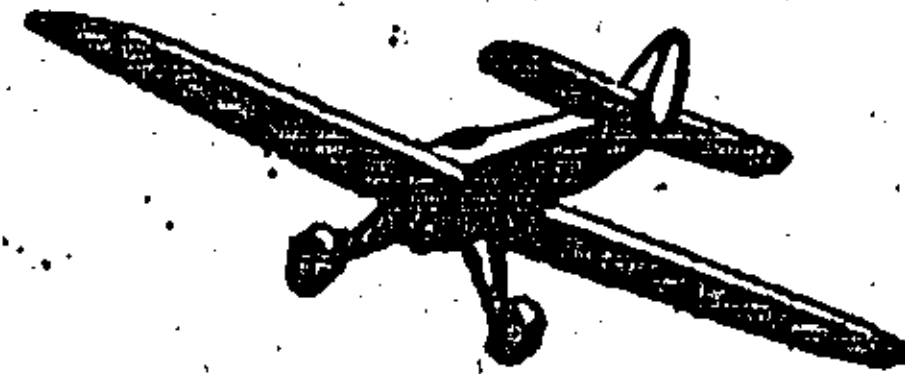
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To The Editor,
Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—With the approach of Christmas and the coming of the winter months, the appeals in the sweet name of Charity in the Colony are many and varied, but I venture to say that there is none more urgent than the appeal for food—just food.

We all know of the abnormal conditions here occasioned by the war, and it is true to say that hunger will be writ large on the faces of thousands of the poorest Chinese in Hongkong in the next few months.

It is because of this that with half the population of the Colony on this side of the harbour, I have formed the Kowloon Winter Food Committee, and at a meeting of the Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A. has agreed to allow its grounds to be used as the distributing centre and a system of ticket distribution has been devised so that only the poorest and most destitute Chinese will benefit from the scheme. Even then it will only apply to old people and women and children. It is proposed to issue only uncooked rice.

In view of the fact that the Street Sweepers Society has not yet been able to find a shelter in Kowloon this year, the need for help is all the more urgent on this side of the harbour, and this Food Committee earnestly appeals to the public to send in donations for this purpose. Such donations may be sent to the Vicar, St. Andrew's Vicarage, Kowloon.

I want to make this appeal without being sentimental though it would be easy not to do so. A little use, though, of the imagination should make this one of the best supported charities in the Colony throughout this winter.

(Rev.) J. R. Higgs,
Chairman, Kowloon Winter Food Committee.

Panchen Lama Passes Away

Former Secular Ruler
Of Tibet

New Delhi, Dec. 3.
The Panchen Lama died to-day in the neighbourhood of Tsykunda, Western China, he had been on exile from Tibet for 13 years.—*Reuter Bulletin.*

Panchen Lama, better known in Tibet as Tashi Lama, former secular ruler of Tibet, was born in Inner Tibet at 1893.

In 1903 he accompanied the Duke of York (later King George V) to India and returned to Tibet in the following year when he introduced reforms in education and other administrative measures.

In the first year of the reign of Emperor Hsuan Tung, following the despatch of Szechuen troops into Tibet by the Manchu Government, which aroused misunderstandings among the Tibetans and resulted in complications in Tibet, he was appointed by the Manchu Government as both the secular and religious ruler of Inner and Outer Tibet. Although he did go to Lhasa, he declined the appointment and promised to maintain order and peace in Inner Tibet. In spite of his refusal to accept the appointment, misunderstandings arose between him and the Dalai Lama, who had hitherto been the ruler of Outer Tibet, and the two became intolerant of each other.

VISIT TO CHINA

After the 1911 Revolution, as a result of the mutiny of the Szechuen troops in Tibet and internal disturbances, the Tibetan situation became further confused. In 1924, at the request of the Tibetan people, he came to China to plead for peace and visited many provinces in the interior. Owing to the disturbed situation in China and her neglect of border affairs, he remained in Manchuria and Mongolia for many years. He was the most pronounced pro-Chinese leader in Tibet and rendered great assistance to the Chinese residing there. Following the establishment of the National Government at Nanking, he was invited to visit the capital and had been honoured by government officials.

Panchen Lama held a number of government posts including that of member of the Chinese Provincial Government since 1929. Cultural Commissioner for the Western Border and State Councillor of the National Government since 1934. He was also a member of the Mongolian and Tibetan Affairs Commission. Following the death of the Dalai Lama in 1933, he was invited to return to Tibet.

In October, 1934, the Anchin Hu Tuk-tu, personal envoy of the Panchen Lama, passed through Hongkong on the way to Tibet to pave the way for the return of the Panchen Lama as Regent during the interval before the reincarnated Dalai Lama is found. He was accompanied by a retinue of Tibetan leaders.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

As from 27th November, 1937, DUNLOP-RUBBER CO. (CHINA) LTD., has removed its Office to MARINA HOUSE, 2nd Floor, Queen's Road.

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NOTICE

From December 1, 1937, my son Emilio will be in charge of my Kitchen.

I take this opportunity of thanking all my Patrons and hope they will give the same support to my son as they have given me.

JIMMY'S KITCHEN.

COURSE OF NINE PUBLIC LECTURES

AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS

The first lecture of this course will be given in the Chitra Fleet Club Theatre

on Monday, 6th December, 1937, at 5.30 p.m.

Subject:—The nature and risk of air attacks.

Lecturer:—Lieutenant-Commander B. M. Douglas, R.N. (Retired) of His Majesty's Dockyard, Hong Kong.

Open to all members of the Public without charge

Programmes of the course of lectures may be obtained on application to the Extra Assistant Colonial Secretary, Colonial Secretary's Office.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE, STANLEY.

(Middle School for Chinese Boys)

The New Term begins December 13th.

Entrance Examination for new Students at Stanley on Saturday, December 11th, at 9 a.m.

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ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE, STANLEY.

The new Preparatory School will be open for the admission of Students on February 15th.

STRANGE TRAIN HOLDUP

Unusual Incident At
Polish Station
SOVIET CREW MOLESTED

Moscow, Dec. 3.
The Tass News Agency reports that on November 29 a Soviet train en route from Poland was suddenly surrounded by an escort at the Polish station of Zdzidunow. All the members of the crew were undressed and searched.

An older, Khinshuk, who attempted to resist, was beaten. The crew were placed in one car and the train proceeded to Mogilyany en route to the Soviet frontier. A Polish aviator, who handed a passenger gasoline with which he set fire to the train. The Poles then attempted to force the Soviet engineers to take the train to Soviet territory, but the engineer instead uncoupled the burning car.

Representatives of the South-western Railway arriving at Mogilyany the following day to investigate the incident were placed under escort and given only a hurriedly concocted general charge sheet in which the Poles tried to pin the blame on the crew of the train. The Legation at Warsaw has been instructed and demand an investigation of the affair.—*United Press.*

ONLY
18
SHOPPING DAYS
TILL CHRISTMAS

CHURCH NOTICES

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Frank Short to Preach

To-morrow

THE LORD'S SUPPER

The following are the forthcoming services, etc., at the Methodist Church, Wanchai:

Morning Parade Service at 10.15 at the English Methodist Church.

Hymn No. 92; Prayer; Lord's Prayer; Hymn No. 92; 1st Lesson; Hymn 122; 2nd Lesson; Prayer; Notices; Hymn No. 99; Sermon; Hymn No. 242; Benediction.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed after the morning service.

Evening Service at the English Methodist Church.

Hymn No. 719; Prayer; Hymn No. 122; Lesson; Prayer; Notices; Hymn No. 149; Sermon; Hymn No. 130; Benediction.

Notices for the Week

1. Following the Evening Service, a Social Hour will be held at 8.15. Refreshments are provided at minimum charges; all Servicemen are warmly welcomed.

2. The Badminton Club meets on Mondays and Thursdays at 7.30 p.m. Further particulars from the Secretary, "S. & S. Home."

3. On Friday, December 10, a Dance will be held in the Assembly Hall "S. & S. Home" at 8.30. The Dance Band of the Seaford Highlanders will be in attendance by kind permission of Col. Lammie, Band President. Admission: One Dollar.

UNION CHURCH

Services to be Held

In the Hall

CHURCH UNDER REPAIR

The following are the forthcoming services, etc., at the Union Church, Kennedy Road:

While repairs to the Church are being carried out, services will be held in the Hall.

Preacher at both services: Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow.

The S.A.C. meets in the Church Hall on Tuesday evening at 7.30 p.m. The Helena May Christian Fellowship meets in the Institute on Friday morning at 10.30 a.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

First Church of Christ,
Scientist, Hongkong

The subject of the lesson-sermon in all churches of Christ, Scientist, to-morrow, December 5, will be "God the only cause and creator."

The Golden Text will be: "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork. There is speech not in language, where their voice is not heard." (Psalms 19:1, 3).

Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible: "Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God; which made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is: which keepeth truth for ever: the Lord shall reign for ever even thy God, O Zion, unto all generations. Praise ye the Lord. Let Israel rejoice in him that made him; let the children of Zion be joyful in their King. Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord. (Psalms 146, 149, 150).

The lesson sermon will also include the following passages from the Christian Science Textbook: "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Infinite Mind creates and governs all, from the mental molecule to infinity. This divine Principle of all expresses Science and art throughout His creation and immortality of man and the universe. Creation is ever appearing, and must ever continue to appear from the nature of its inexhaustible source. Mind is the grand creator, and there can be no power except that which is derived from Mind. If Mind was first chronologically, in the first potentiality, and must be first eternally, then give to Mind the glory, honor, dominion, and power everlastingly due its holy name." (Pages 507, 143).

Announcement

First Church of Christ Scientist, Hongkong, a Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ Scientist, in Boston, Mass., Macdonnell Road, close to Tram Station, Sunday Service 11.15 a.m. Testimony Meeting, Wednesday, 9 p.m. A Reading Room is located at Bank of East-Asia Building, 10 Des Voeux Road Central, and is open daily 10.30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays 10.30 a.m.—12.30 p.m. Evening except Wednesdays and Saturdays 7.30 p.m. Attendance at the Reading Room, the public is cordially invited to attend the services and to visit the Reading Room.

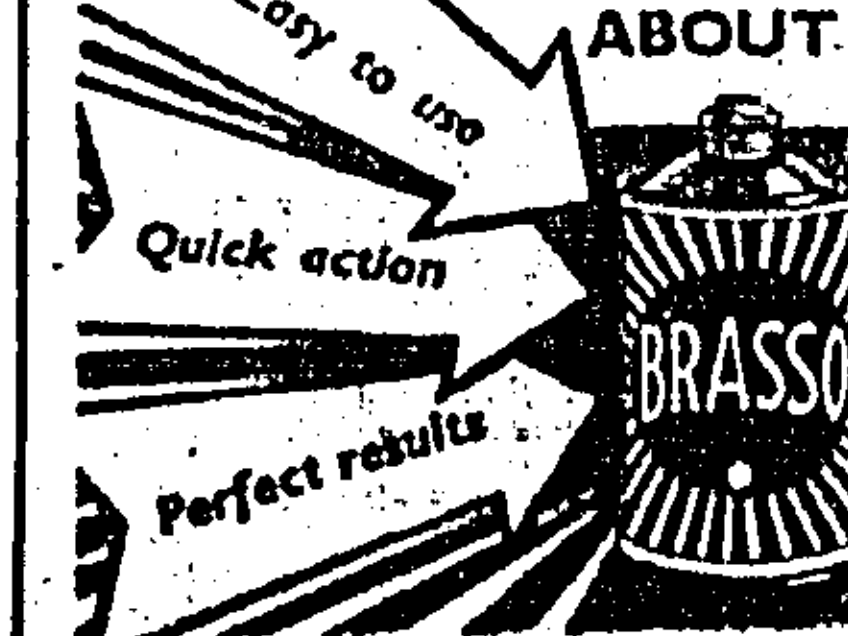
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Up on the deck, he was told that there were two more bodies in the hold, but as he felt rather tired, he did not go down again.

Darmin said he had not suffered from the effects of the gas. He was tired from his work.

Moyse Shalko, 20, the other Russian, declared it was impossible to be gassed while wearing a full diving kit.

An adjournment was made to 2.30 p.m. on Monday, December 13, for more evidence and testimony on the nature of the fatal gas, and what cargo was stored in No. 2 hold.



TALAMBA TRAGEDY PROBED

Inquest Opened On
Four Chinese

Gassed In
Ship's Hold

How death came without warning to four Shanghai men working on the typhoon-battered steamer Talamba at the Kowloon Dock last Sunday, was told at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday when an inquest was held. It was related that the men, who had been working in a hold, collapsed unexpectedly and fell into the water at the bottom. They were found to be dead when brought up.

Mr. K. Keen sat as Coroner, and was assisted by a jury comprising Messrs. G. A. Penrice (Foreman), Albert Raymond and A. R. H. Phillips. Inspector T. O'Connor and Detective Sergeant Scott were present for the police.

The Shanghai men, were Shen Kuang-fau, 26, Kwo Dah-bah, 26, Gao Hung-chai, 21, divers, and Chow Kwai-tai, 23, a cooke.

An account of what had happened was given by Mr. J. K. Bayford, Salvage Superintendent of the Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Ltd.

He said that about 7 a.m. on Sunday he went to the No. 1 hatch of the Talamba and saw a number of carpenters at work down in the hold, where they had been all night. Witness noticed that the bulkhead between No. 1 and 2 holds was leaking pretty badly in places, and called the carpenters up.

Eight men, including the deceased, were sent down to put in some wedges to stop the leaks. None of them wore masks or had life lines. They came up again at 8.30 to look for more wedges, appearing to be perfectly well. None of them complained even of smelling gas.

Shortly before 9 o'clock, they went down again. Four men, who descended, went down the staging where the carpenters had been working all night, about two feet above the water, which was five feet deep, while the others remained on the lower 'tween deck to hand them tools and give any other assistance which might be required.

"SUDDENLY OVERCOME
"About five minutes later," went on Mr. Bayford, "I saw one man fall from the lower stage and thought he had slipped into the water accidentally. I alerted the other men to get hold of him, but at that moment another man fell and then the other two.

"One man from the lower 'tween deck rushed down the ladder to assist them, but he also fell before he had reached the staging.

"I realised that there would have been certain death for any man to attempt to go down the hold. Ropes and ladders were lowered to the men but as they were unconscious they were unable to help themselves.

"Immediately ordered a diver to be dressed and a stage to be made to lower him down as it was impossible for him to climb down the ladders we had with all his gear on. "A Russian diver then arrived with a skin diver's face mask on. He went down the hold and sent up three men, two of whom were dead. He then came up.

"The skin diver was lowered down into the hold on the platform by the ship's derrick, but collapsed on reaching the water. He was hauled out and found to be unconscious. It was then realised that all hope of saving the other two men had gone.

"ordered another Russian diver to dress, and a more substantial stage made. When this was ready, he was lowered into the hold and recovered the two bodies."

"In reply to a question, Mr. Bayford said the Chinese diver had fainted from fright.

He added that there had been a life raft on the water in the hold, and said that workmen did not wear life jackets, and that unless gas was suspected, in this case there was no suspicion at all. All the rice which had been stored in the hold had been removed previously.

The four surviving workmen who had been higher up said they had seen men being lowered, and that they had fainted themselves. Shen Ching-cho, the man who had attempted to rescue his comrades, said he had become unconscious while reaching out to seize one. Neither he nor any of the other survivors had noticed any unusual smell.

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STOCK MARKET WEEKLY REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange weekly report was issued yesterday afternoon.

The past week saw a repetition of the previous week's market, a steady if not large turnover in investments, although at the close the latter are not feeling quite such good prices as before.

Speculative interest has been maintained on a small scale.

On balance the market may be described as quiet and steady.

Under Sterling, Banks reacted again to \$1.550.

Far Eastern markets in London were irregular. Banks were marked down to 2.90, but as regards the entire Far Eastern section, the degree of freedom of market is again doubtful.

Closing advice from Manila showed an improvement on recent weeks.

Business done during the week: Canton Insurance \$17 1/2, \$18; Union Insurance \$11 1/2, \$12; Stocks \$2, \$2 1/2; Bonds \$2 1/2, \$2 1/2; Land \$2, \$2 1/2; Tramways \$13 1/2, \$14; Electric \$10 1/2, \$11; Macao Electric \$20, \$21; Telephone (Old) \$20, \$21; Dairy Farms \$21 1/2, \$22 1/2; Watsons \$4 1/2, \$5; Swo Cottons \$13 1/2, \$14; Maraman (London) 18 1/2.

CHANGES (315 p.m. CLOSING QUOTATIONS)

Hongkong Bank \$1.540
Electric \$24 1/2
Dairy Farms \$21
Hongkong Bank \$1.550
Yam Sui \$1.550
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Hongkong Bank \$1.550
Tram \$13 1/2
Electric \$10 1/2
Dairy Farms \$21 1/2
Watsons \$4 1/2

GERMAN WOMEN
HOLDING ANNUAL
CHARITY FAIR

The German Women's Association is holding its annual Charity Christmas Fair on premises of the German Club, 2 Connaught Road Central, on December 5 opening at 4 p.m.

A large assortment of selected artistic and practical German articles, suitable for Christmas presents will be on sale at moderate prices. There will also be on sale a large number of modern wooden and glassware articles, as well as a collection of assorted toys.

A special tea lounge will be open during the Fair.

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The Christmas Air Mail for Great Britain by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" will be closed in the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office as follows:—

Registered 5.00 p.m., Dec. 10.
Ordinary 8.00 a.m., Dec. 11.
This mail is due to arrive at London on December 20, 1937.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR CARDS

Christmas and New Year cards bearing not more than five written words and enclosed in open envelopes are accepted by the Post Office at the rate for printed matter, i.e. 5 cents per 2 ounces for all countries. Hongkong, China and Macao at 2 cents per 2 ounces. Envelopes must not be closed.

AIR MAIL TIMES

Ordinary air mail letters for Imperial Airways Direct Service to

INWARD MAILS

From Per Due

Shanghai and Foochow Nanchang December 4.

Straits and Europe via Negapatam (Letters and Papers) London date, 4th November and London parcels, London, 20th October.

Shanghai and Swatow Patroclus December 4.

Straits Anhui December 5.

Manila Pres. Jefferson December 5.

Saigon Chengtu December 5.

Straits Pyrrhus December 5.

Japan Ixion December 5.

U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco, 6th November) Pres. Polk December 5.

Japan Buenos Aires Maru December 6.

Haliphong, Pakhoi and Hoihow Kingyan December 6.

Straits and Hoihow Mulnam December 6.

Shanghai and Amoy Sinkiang December 6.

Haliphong Canton December 7.

Shanghai Glenfinglas December 7.

Calcutta and Straits Kusanang December 7.

Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 27th November. Talma December 7.

Manila Emp. of Asia December 8.

Japan Neelus December 8.

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 1st December. P.A. Airways Plane December 8.

Japan Rajputana December 8.

Bangkok and Swatow Kwelyang December 9.

Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and papers) — London 11th November and London parcels—November date—4th November. Rawalpindi December 9.

Manila Scharnhorst December 9.

Java and Manila Tinegara December 9.

Saigon Athos II December 10.

Australia and Manila Changte December 10.

U.S.A., Canada and Japan (Seattle, 20th November) Pres. McKinley December 10.

Japan Bokuyo Maru December 11.

Manila Victoria December 11.

Straits Delagosa Maru December 12.

Amoy Tjisroca December 12.

Straits Diomed December 13.

Amoy Santha December 14.

Japan Surpedon December 14.

U.S.A. (San Francisco, 13th November) Pres. Hoover December 15.

Japan and Shanghai Jean Laborde December 15.

OUTWARD MAILS

For Per Date and Time

Saturday

Air Mail for "France Orient Service" Helikon Sat., Dec. 4.

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U. S. MARINES IN SHARP EXCHANGE WITH JAPANESE

Shanghai, Dec. 3.
The Japanese "advance" to the heart of Shanghai during to-day's parade reached the Grand Theatre, opposite the Race Course, and passed the foreign Y.M.C.A., the Park Hotel and the China United Apartments beyond the Park Road, which are all within the American defence sector, but the American Marines showed no signs of activity. An unconfirmed report said that British troops were rushed from the North Honan Road-area to the Western area and also to the British defence sector.

After the bombing incident outside Sincere's the Japanese moved on to the intersection of the Yu Ya-ching and Bubbling Well Roads facing the north and took virtual occupation of the entire area from Chekiang Road to the Park Hotel and from Peiping Road to Fochow Road. Barbed-wire entanglements were erected on the boundaries by the Municipal Council coolies.

A U.S. Marine dispatch rider attempted to pass the Japanese line on his way to the American Consulate, but he was turned back at the point of Japanese pistol.

The Japanese refused to allow other British Army trucks to pass east of the Nanking Road despite the presence of Captain Cole, the British Military Attaché. The Japanese soldiers also smashed cameras from the hands of two foreign photographers.

AMERICANS HALTED

At 5.10 p.m. the Japanese troops commenced retreating towards Yu Ya-ching Road after the U.S. Marines strongly demanded that the Japanese leave the U. S. Marine sector.

Colonel Charles Price, Commander of the Fourth U. S. Marines, accompanied by Captain Ronald Boone, reached the Japanese line by car shortly after dark, but the Japanese troops halted them at bayonet point. Both officers left their cars and walked eddily demanded to see the Japanese commander. Their demand was refused and hot words followed. The Japanese finally complied, but refused to give them an escort until Colonel Price and Captain Boone again stood on their rights. As a result, an escort was provided.

The American officers returned half an hour later and a Japanese officer gave the order to withdraw. A United Press correspondent heard Colonel Price say: "You are practically invading the U.S. defence sector. You must withdraw immediately."

The U.S. Marines strong stand apparently turned the tide as the Japanese cordon is contracting and now includes Yu Ya-ching Road to the west, Tientsin Road to the north, Shanai Road to the east and Klukians Road to the south.

One U. S. Marine motor-cyclist refused to halt when he ran the gauntlet through the Nanking Road. Many Japanese shouted at him, but none fired.—United Press.

"NOT DELIBERATE"

Shanghai, Dec. 3 (6.40 p.m.)
The United States Marines have issued an official statement reviewing the Japanese invasion of the American defence sector.

The statement says that it appeared that the Japanese were unaware of the exact location of the American defence boundaries and that their encroachment was inadvertent and not deliberate. When informed by Colonel Price and Captain Boone, the Japanese removed back east of Yu Ya-ching Road and removed their barbed wire. They also opened the streets to traffic inside the American sector.—United Press.

DOCTORS ROBBED

Specialist In Thefts
From Waiting Rooms

Fung Wing, alias Fung Kit-sang, 31, and Chan Ping, 33, both unemployed, appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday charged with simple larceny of the following articles:

A table cloth, silver vase, and silver tooth-pick holder from Dr. Chau Wai-cheung of No. 24 Des Voeux Road Central, first floor; an electric fan from Dr. Wong Sik-to of Pedder Building, second floor; a table clock and silver cup from Dr. Tang Fuk-cho of No. 187 Des Voeux Road Central, first floor; a silver medal from Dr. Sin Luk-sang of No. 10 Queen's Road Central, first floor; a silver cup from Dr. Li Ho-ting of No. 25 Des Voeux Road Central, first floor; a silver cup from Dr. Wong Ching-man of No. 63 Des Voeux Road Central first floor; a table clock from Dr. Fok Wing-kam of No. 30 Queen's Road Central; and two brass vases from Dr. F. Kew of Alexandra Building.

Det. Sergeant Cashman stated that the first defendant was arrested on information and admitted the charges. Fung during the past month visited all the complainants, and whilst in the waiting room of each doctor had picked up what he wanted and left without seeing the doctor. Witness said that he could bring another nine charges against Fung.

The first defendant was sentenced to eight months' imprisonment, but the second man was discharged owing to lack of evidence against him.

Hitler May Stop Arms Flow Fast

London, Dec. 3.
There are indications of a drastic curtailment in British supplies and materials moving to China through Hongkong in order to avoid complications. Supplies at present in transit to Hongkong are of German origin.

Attention is drawn to the fact that Hitler is reported to be making efforts to induce China to agree to arbitration, and that he has threatened to cut off the flow of munition to China and will perhaps recall the military mission in the event of refusal.—United Press.

RADIO BROADCAST

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break your heart; 12. Medley of Vienna Waltzes.
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11.00 13. On a Little Bamboo Bridge; 14. Medley of Hawaiian Hulas; 15. Sweet Lullaby; 16. Honey-suckle Rose.
11.15 Interval or recorded dance music from Z.B.W.
11.20 17. Love what have you done to my heart; 18. Adios Argentin; 19. Cubalero; 20. Cuba Libre.
11.35 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.
11.45 21. Smarty; 22. The Moon got into my eyes; 23. After you; 24. Caravan.
12.00 midnight. Close Down.

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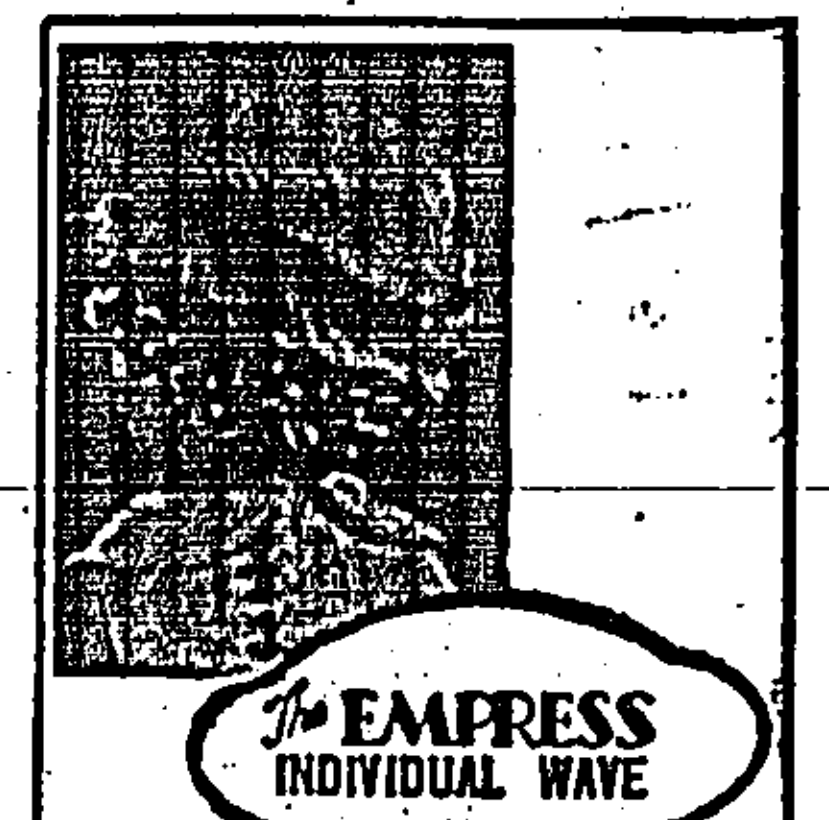
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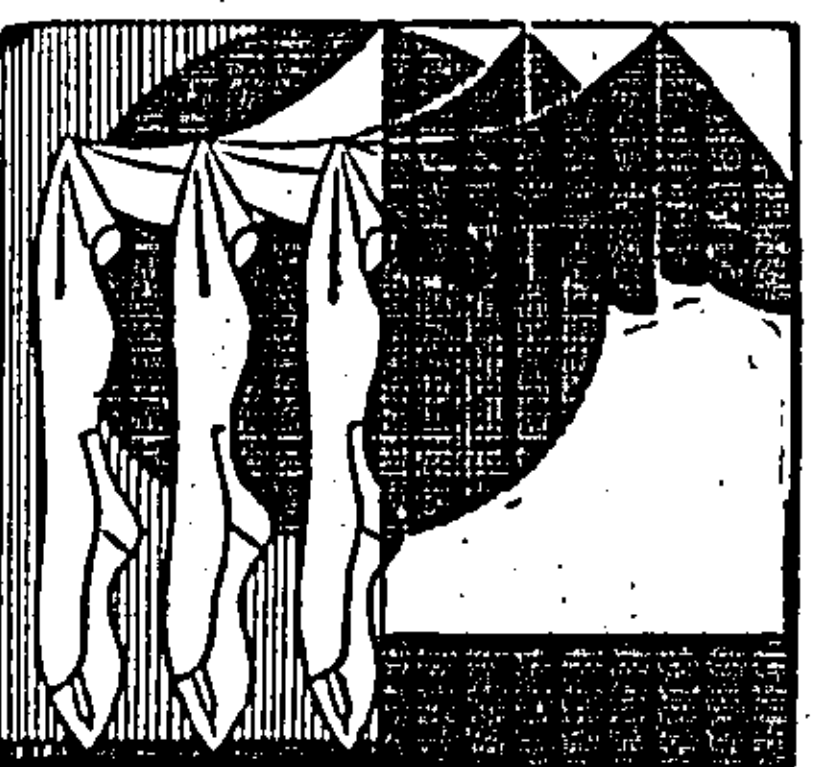
Hankow, Dec. 3.
Mr. R. G. Howe, British Charge d'Affaires, left for Shanghai via Hongkong by train from Wuchang at 9 o'clock this morning. He is on board an international train which also carried away many British and foreign women. Only the Second Secretary, Mr. B. E. F. Gage is at present remaining here.

Mr. Dratvin, Soviet Military Attaché, who recently arrived, is also absent from Hankow. He is believed to have flown to Nanking.—United Press.

Enquiries at the Colonial Secretary's Office yesterday afternoon led to a statement that Government here had received no communication since the party left Hankow, but expected a telegram when they reached Canton. Arrangements would then be made to meet the visitors. Asked whether the combatants had been asked to guarantee the immunity of the train from attack, an official stated he was not aware of this but expected that the publicity given to the train was sufficient notice to the Japanese of its arrival.



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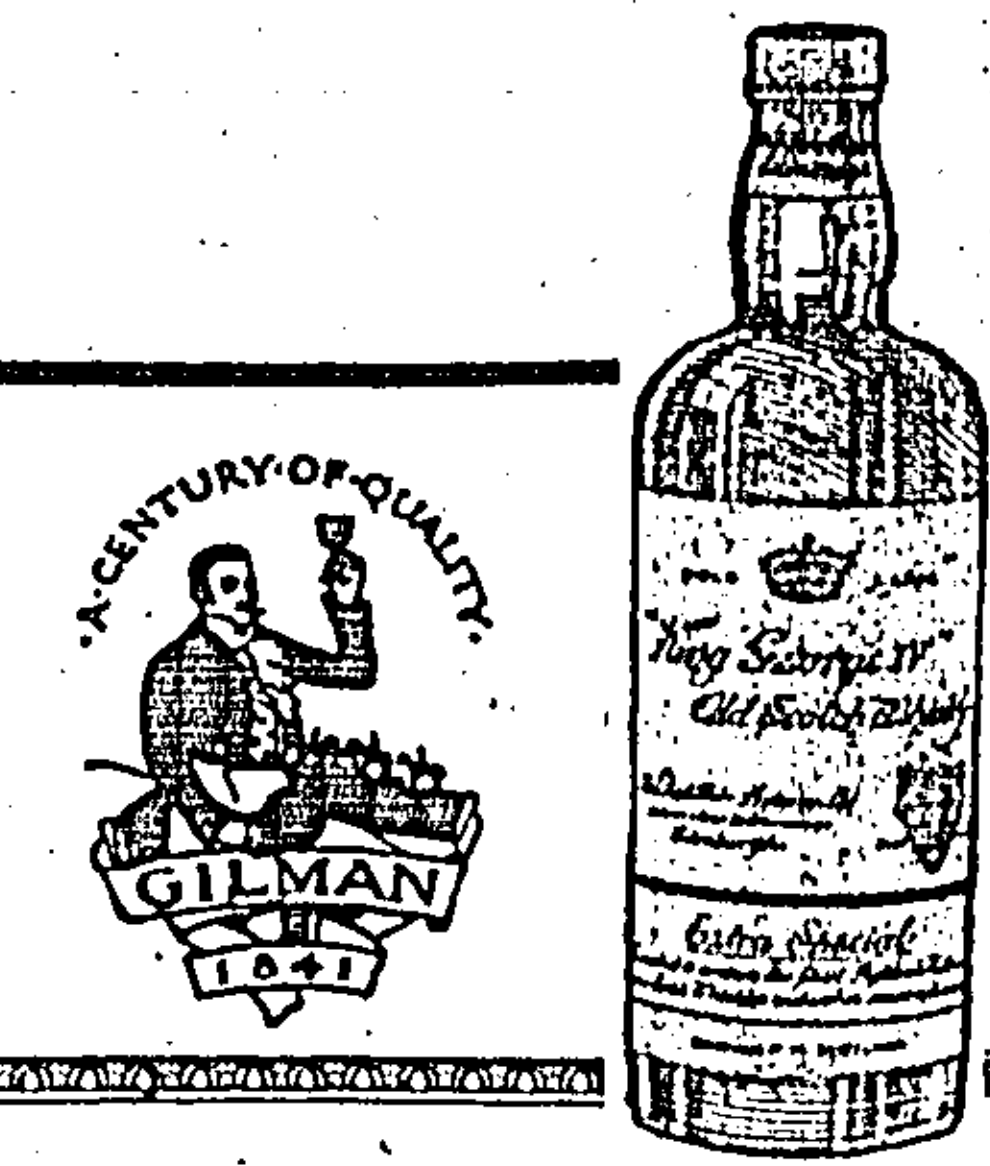
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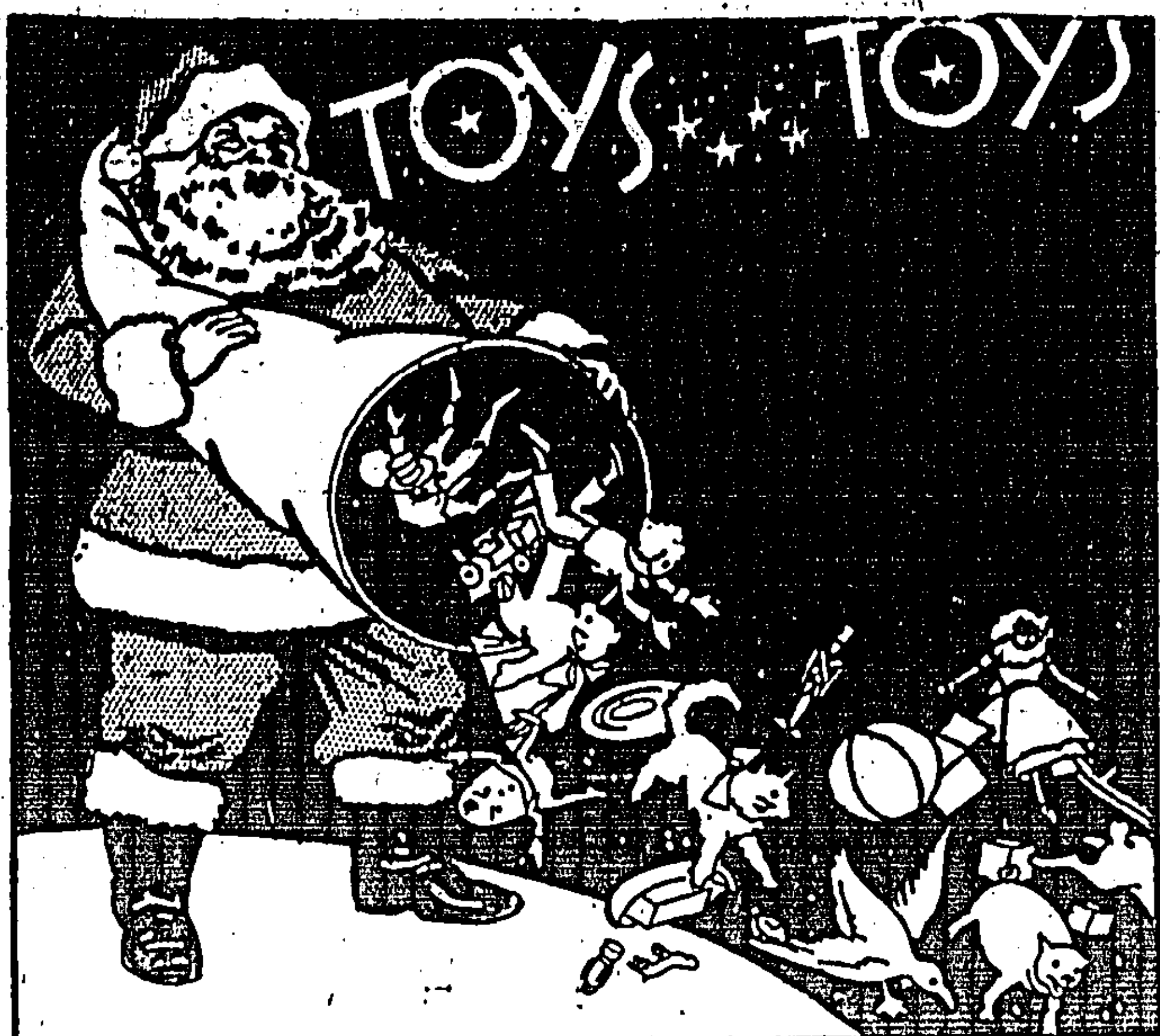
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'Don't Brand Divorce Innocents With Disgrace Of The Guilty'

—Bishop Of Durham

DR. HENSLEY HENSON, the Bishop of Durham, speaking at Durham Diocesan Conference, strongly denounced the view that in cases of remarriage of divorced people the Church should treat the innocent like the guilty.

Dealing with the Matrimonial Causes Act, he said that many bishops had stated that in no circumstances might divorced persons be rightly permitted to marry in parish churches.

He considered that was unsound in principle and policy, and it was clearly his duty frankly to dissociate himself from it.

He could not approve a procedure which made no difference between the guilty and the innocent, but subjected all divorced persons without distinction to the same disability and disgrace.

"I do not understand," he said, "why the Church should treat as offenders against the law of Christ those Christian people (themselves in no merely technical sense innocent parties), who have exercised the liberty of marriage after divorce which from the apostolic ages has been allowed in churches, and which is to-day everywhere allowed outside the papal obedience."

"Why should they be publicly humiliated and, through marriage, treated as immoral?"

"I suggest our rigorists should reflect on the requirements of the third Commandment, and make sure that in their zeal they are not taking the Lord's name in vain."

DRUNK IN CHARGE— OF A HORSE

SAID to have driven his thoroughbred hunter into a wayside inn, Norman Llewellyn, aged 30, a Fishguard farmer, was fined £1 at Mathry for being drunk while in charge of the animal.

P. C. John Bowen said the horse fell in the inn, damaging furniture and frightening the landlady. Asked by the clerk if the animal drank beer, Constable Bowen stated that Llewellyn said he could teach his horse to do anything—even to smoke cigarettes.

Old Adage Outmoded

Salem, Ore.

Making hay while the sun shines may be out of date within a few years, according to the department of agriculture, which describes artificial drying methods. The drying is done by passing the heated air or hot furnace gases through the forage on an endless apron conveyor or in a revolving drum.

"Kept-Wives" Are Such Bores, Says Lady Rhondda

"DEVITALISED bores, whom any fully alive person will go miles to avoid having to meet."

Thus Lady Rhondda, in her book, "Notes on the Way" (Macmillan, 6s.), describes the majority of "kept-wives"—women economically dependent on their husbands, and with too little to occupy their energies.

WHY INSEPARABLE?

She admits that there are numerous exceptions—wives who have achieved "a real life and responsibilities", and she adds, "mothers of large families remain much more interesting than the others."

Lady Rhondda advocates that wives should continue to earn their keep after marriage, and that husbands should share domestic responsibilities.

"It is amazing," she writes, "how many husbands still manage to put the idea across that, domestically speaking, they are unteachable morons."

And why, she asks, continue to regard husband and wife as inseparable? Let them remain separate individuals in the eyes of the world:

"One would not then be faced with having, to spoil all, one's parties by having either."

"(a) To invite a boring wife because one wanted her interesting husband;

"(b) Invite a boring husband because one wanted his interesting wife;

"(c) Forgo asking the one individual who would complete the dinner-table because an unnecessary husband or wife would make just one too many."

If marriage were regarded as a private affair, she argues, the diplomat would be free to marry as he liked, the M.P. would not have to bother whether his wife's manner suited his constituents, and the clergyman would not feel he had failed if he picked a wife who did not make a good unpaid curate.

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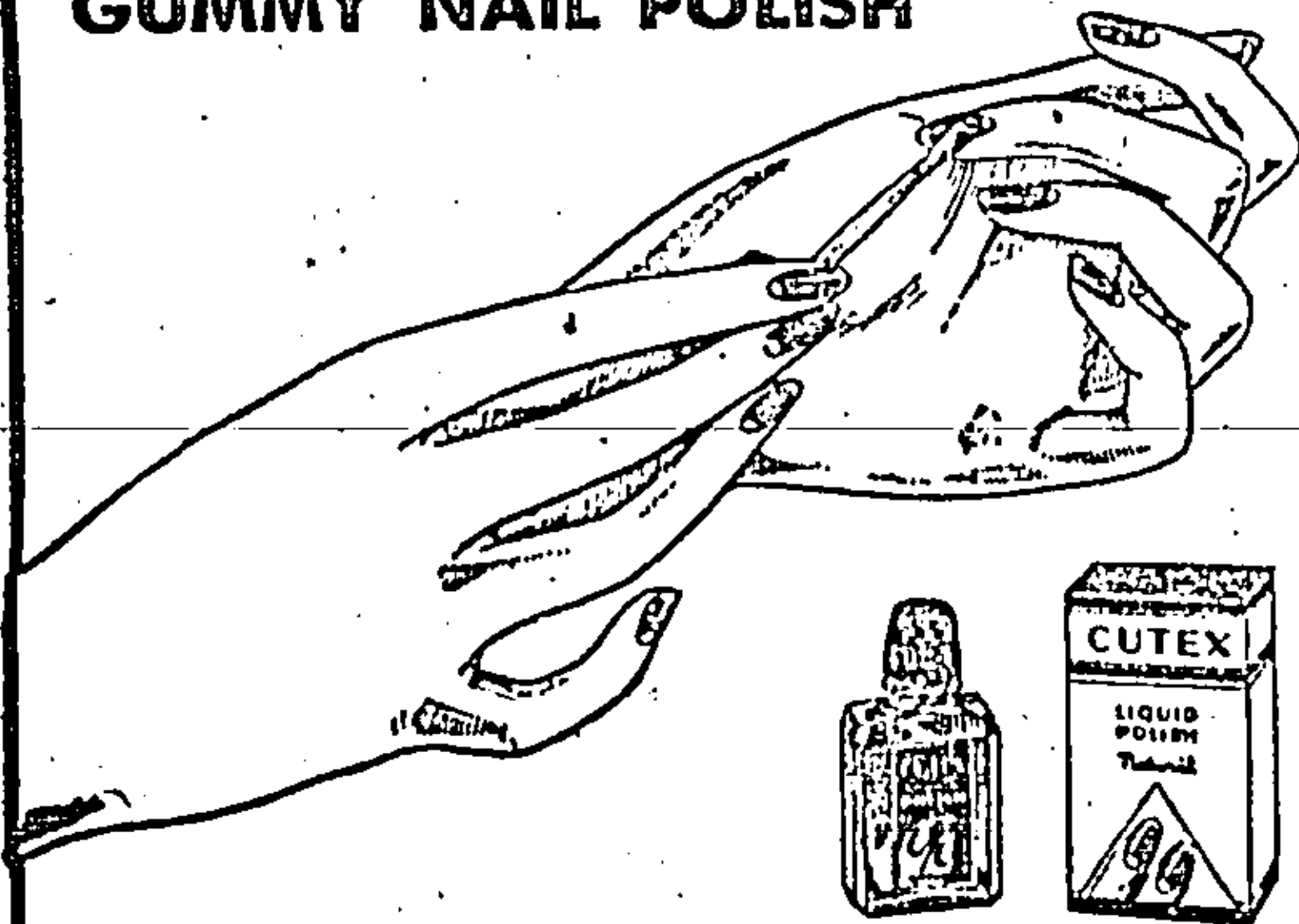
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LABOUR PARTY GROWS RAPIDLY IN AMERICA

May Be Able To Put Up Presidential Candidate

ONE of the most interesting results in the recent New York Mayoral elections, which swept Mr. Fiorello La Guardia and his party back into office with huge majorities, was the size of the vote polled by the new Labour party.

This new body already looms as an important feature in the 1940 Presidential election. It is certain that both Republicans and Democrats will not be backward in making overtures to it in the hopes of winning its support, cables the New York correspondent of the Daily Telegraph and Morning Post.

The party was organized last year to aid President Roosevelt. Its rise to power has been phenomenal.

It polled 250,000 votes in New York on the occasion of its first public appearance. In the latest elections it brought Mr. La Guardia no fewer than 500,000 votes.

So far the party has not given any indication of the attitude it will take at next year's important election of a Governor of New York State, or of what it will do in 1940. But the leaders of other parties are watching its progress with the keenest interest. Already they are wondering whether it will be able to make such rapid progress in the next three years as to be in a position to nominate a Labour candidate for the Presidency.

Mr. La Guardia also regained control of the Board of Estimates, which directs municipal finances and in which a previously hostile majority had caused him much embarrassment in administering the city's expenditures.

The result is regarded as a triumph for honest government and marks the emergence of Mr. La Guardia as a figure of great potential importance in future national politics.

The President is reported to be pleased at the New York results, and his advisers see in the balance of power vested in the Labour party a new force to support his administration.

THREE-DIMENSION MAP TO SOLVE AIR PROBLEMS

(By Dan Rogers)
United Press Staff Correspondent.

London. A three dimension map, probably in the form of a cube like a child's building block, is one of the minor problems technicians must solve before regular trans-Atlantic flights may be performed smoothly.

Experimental survey flights by Imperial Airways and Pan-American Airways during the past summer demonstrated the paramount importance of accurate weather reports and forecasts to the pilots of the overseas aircraft. The value of radio, is, of course, beyond computation in transmitting weather information after the flight has begun.

But since the overwater crossing takes only about half a day, the pilots lean heavily on the weather maps handed them at the take off. And these maps, at present, must express on a flat chart of Mercator's Projection weather tendencies in three dimensions. The commander must imagine he is looking at a cross-section of the air and interpret the symbols on the chart accordingly.

Experts are now working on a plan whereby in future pilots will be given a large cube on which all weather data are described. Thus altitude will be shown as well as latitude and longitude when movements of air currents and temperatures are shown.

Experimental flights to date have led to these conclusions:—

Atlantic weather has proved stable; that is, it behaves according to forecast. Therefore the 24 hours forecast may be depended upon.

Radio aids to navigation functioned perfectly. Pilots of both airlines received regular reports and transmitted their positions on 80-minute intervals.

Co-operation of ships on the Atlantic proved a great aid and comfort. By taking bearings from any two ships, it was simple for the pilot to double-check his position.

The bubble sextant, developed especially for air use, was equally efficient, for stellar observation.

An "inquest" into the experiences of the survey commanders will be held, data will be co-ordinated, and schedules worked out which will provide economical as well as safe crossings by air, when mail and, later, passengers will be carried.

Did Not Know She Was A Mother

TWENTY-ONE-YEAR-OLD Mrs. J. Welborn, unconscious forty-eight days after a motor-car crash, died at Des Moines, Iowa, without knowing

That she gave birth to a healthy baby four hours after she was injured.

That her husband was killed in the accident.

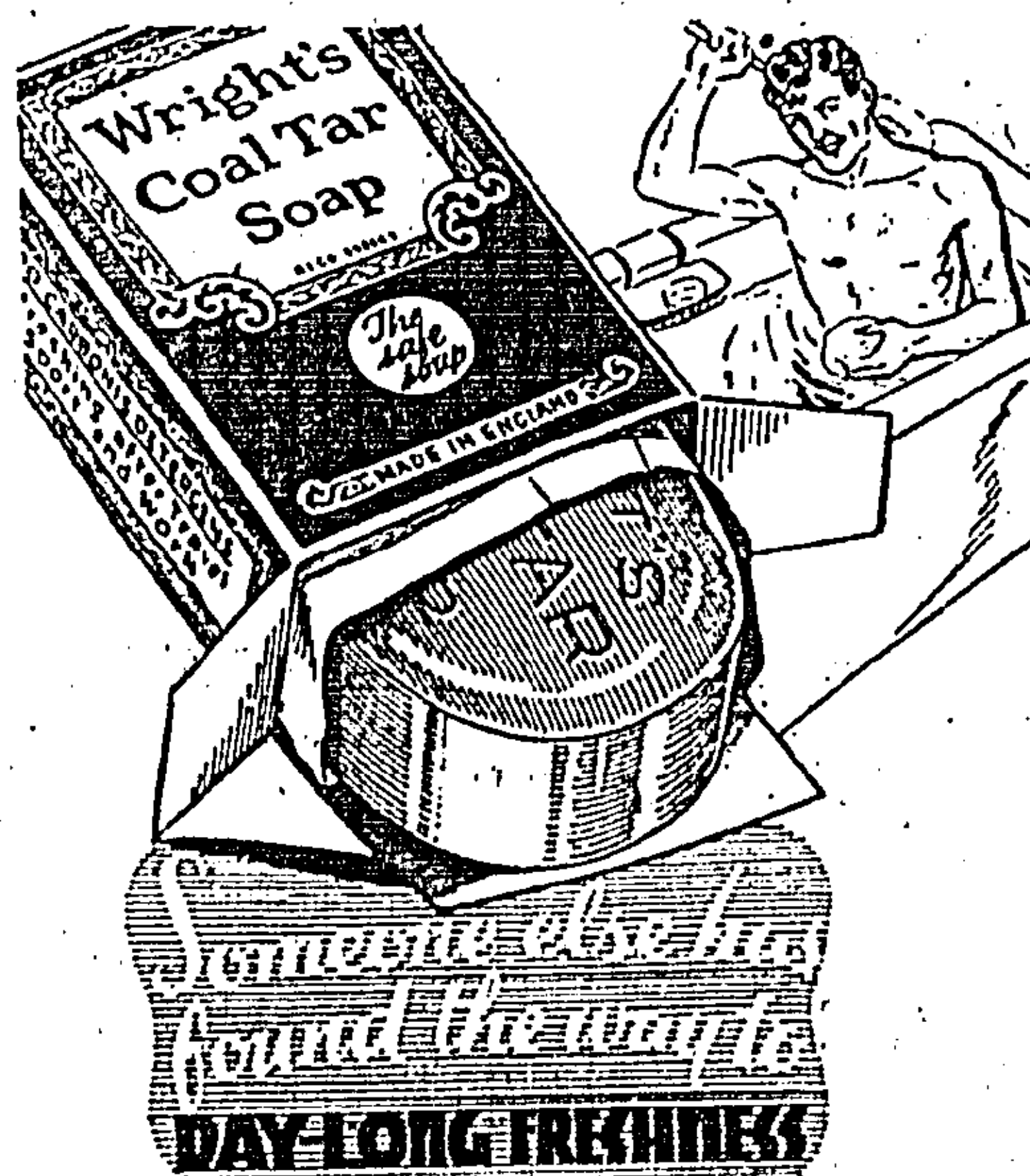
Mrs. Welborn's husband was an apprentice in a steel works. He was twenty-one.

Timothy Hay 7 Feet Tall

Lyons Falls, N. Y. Timothy hay measuring 7 feet, 3 inches in height has been cut on Leon Kelly's farm. Kelly said the hay grew on old meadow land which had not been plowed or fertilized for more than 9 years.

Sheriff's Wife Causes Scare

Medina, O. What citizens thought was a full break here turned out to be only the exploding of left-over firecrackers that the sheriff's wife, Mrs. Roy Kruggel, threw on a bonfire.



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The Hongkong Telegraph.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1937.

KEEPING A STEP AHEAD

Great Britain keeps step with the world in most things, and is generally a pace or two ahead of the crowd. There was a time when, like Sam the Soldier, Britain was the only one in step. But that was long ago, when an idealistic Government sought to lead the world in disarmament and scrapped thousands of tons of fighting craft of glorious record, and much against the will of people who realised that peace was not yet permanent.

To-day, however, it is fair to say that Britain not only keeps step, sets the pace, or what you will, but keeps the open mind in matters pertaining to defence, which are after all amongst the most vital considerations of the time. The changes in the Imperial General Staff prove the Government's progressiveness, and the attitude of the famous soldiers, the veterans who have willingly made way for younger men in the places of chief responsibility, speaks volumes for the altered spirit of the Army. Gone is the old, hide-bound, iron-fast system whereby seniority won to command. To-day merit and ability are the first considerations where promotion is concerned. That is as it should be.

There will be some who remember how, during the early stages of the Great War, "regular" soldiers scoffed at the idea of "amateurs" ever distinguishing themselves except in obeying orders and carrying out some enterprise which the old Army directed. There was even some doubt whether the "undisciplined" and free-and-easy troops from the Dominions would stand up under fire. Those misconceptions soon vanished in the bloody welter of the Somme, the Marne, Festubert, Passchendaele, Vimy, Loos, Gallipoli, and a hundred other fights where the Great Untried, from London's East End and French-Canadian timber camps, from Sydney's waterfront and the farms of Africa, did as much as the Guards could do. It was in the Great War that British generals, and the British Government, learned that by merit alone are battles won. Seniority has nothing to do with it, though there is no question that the older men had as much, often more, to offer than the younger. The great thing was that the principle of promotion on ability was recognised.

In her present defence policy Britain keeps up with the world. To many it will appear that she keeps a step ahead of it.

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Described By
T. PAUL GREGORY

OF all the teeming millions of the populous East, no people are more inherently a nation of farmers than the Chinese; for although the great cities of the land boast immense populations, yet the majority of the Sons of Han are, as they have been for more than forty centuries, contented and self-sufficing tillers of the soil. The cities on the other hand, especially those of the so-called Open Ports pulsate with all the concomitant incongruities of quasi-Occidentalism and can scarcely be reconciled with the delectable prospects of the placid countryside. Presenting as it does multitudinous vistas of emerald paddy-fields and quaint old-world villages enshrined amongst verdant, tomb-dotted hills. Moreover, one finds in the rural portions of the country an almost nirvanic calm and peace, and the thought dawns upon one that after all, the bustling port cities with their quays, warehouses, sheds and shops are merely the prosaic, conterminous and ancillary adjuncts—yea, the ugly and grotesque totality of an encroaching West—the sordid and venal excrescences of an alien civilisation. Furthermore, the countryside is the veritable centre of Chinese national life, and, too, has been a most potent factor in developing the much criticised and grossly misunderstood national viewpoint of the Chinese people; for they, as a whole, do not think in terms of the nation at large, but of family, clan, province and above all the natal village.

INDEED, every village, contrary to the usual practice of other lands, is the abode of a single clan, or rarely of two, who are both more or less closely united by ties of kindred, and who thus perforce abide together for the sake of mutual aid, security and protection. Thus we find that the inhabitants are consanguineous in relationship, and that, at least, some parts of southern China, which tends to generate like interests and an Urbancity of outlook, so much so that those who reside in another hamlet, if they happen to be members of a different clan, are often viewed with distrust, and, unfortunately, too, in some parts of southern China, the province of Kwangtung, clan feuds frequently occur, which are always accompanied by disturbance and occasionally by bloodshed.

These local feuds bear some relation to those of Scotland during the several centuries before the Union of the Crowns; but there is little romance about the vendettas of South China, as the dashing chivalry of the wild Caledonian Border, which has been immortalised by Sir Walter Scott, is entirely lacking. Of course, nowadays the Provincial Government puts down any enmity between the disaffected clans which seems precursory of general bloodshed; but in

cognised. The senior officer of any unit was not necessarily the oldest man in it, any more than he was the strongest physically. And so the old order altered.

It took some of Britain's soldiers and sailors a long time to recognise the potentialities in the tank and the aeroplane. But finally the prejudices were overcome, and to-day the Army is being mechanised, tanks are superseding cavalry, aeroplanes performing the functions of the cruiser squadrons, to some extent. That was another step.

The Government has even recognised the necessity of altering the status of the Territorials, and their officers can now reach the highest ranks. The Director-General of the Territorial Army has been nominated a member of the Army Council. Closer collaboration of all defence forces, Territorials, Naval Reserve, volunteers who pursue their own vocations and are only amateurs in the service, is the basis of the new British defence policy. It is sound. And it will be especially appreciated by the officers and men who, as amateur soldiers and sailors have endeavoured to make themselves proficient in the arts of war without remuneration and, all too often, without thanks—until their hour has struck, and they have had a chance to show their ability.

In her present defence policy Britain keeps up with the world. To many it will appear that she keeps a step ahead of it.

the past, when the inhabitants felt less forcibly the restraining hand of the military, they were wont to make occasional nocturnal raids upon the villages of rival clans with the intent of pillage, slaughter and enslavement of the foe. Indeed, even at the present day there may be found amongst the inhabitants in certain of the southernmost districts of the province a condition of holism or serfdom, such as once existed in Europe, and these serfs are said to be the offspring of those prisoners of war, who were captured during the cruel and bloody clan struggles of former years. Although, these unfortunate victims of internecine strife have been legally free since the establishment of the Republic in 1912, yet most of them still remain in their respective villages, apparently oblivious of their emancipation; and their position is one of benign slavery, being agricultural serfs bound to the village, which they assist in the cultivation of the fields, and in the preparation and serving of the periodic communal feasts.

PRACTICALLY all Chinese villages are of a monotonous uniformity in appearance, and seem to be nothing more than a solid block of houses, which, however, are separated from each other by an interval of perhaps three or four feet. The dwellings are in the majority of cases windowless structures of greyish brick, surmounted by roofs of hyacinth-coloured tiles, which on account of their soft, porous nature and the inherent dampness of South China's climate, are variegated with the velutinous verdure of moss. All are built directly upon the ground, and the absence of a foundation renders them insufferably damp, a fact which is apparently unnoticed by the inmates; but as such has been the prevailing mode of domiciliary architecture for the past two thousand years, the inhabitants have no doubt become inured to such trivial matters of gloom and dampness and ill-ventilation. None of the dwelling exceeds a single storey in height, unless we mention a rare two-storey edifice, the residence of some returned emigrant, who, defying tradition and the influence of geomancy, has planned his house in a more exotic style, and a collection of eye-like windows, which stare vacantly down upon the roofs of the neighbouring habitations.

The interior of such dwellings is unusually plain, and would be according to western standards damp, stuffy and comfortless. Light is admitted through an aperture in the roof, and this skylight or 'tin-teng' ('heavenly well') is furnished with a sort of sliding frame in which a mosaic of translucent oyster-shells is fitted, and so designed that by a pull of a rope, it may be made to slide over the opening, thus effectively providing against the emergency of the frequent rains. Directly beneath this opening is found the domestic well, which like the hearth in the country cottages of England and the Continent, is the centre around which moves the daily life of the family. The doors of the house are usually thrown open during the day in order to provide both ventilation and an increased volume of light; and through the open portals saunter unobtrusively the family chattering and his feathered scraggle. The freedom of the house that is granted to the fowls is denied, however, to the household pig, and should the latter in the course of its indefatigable perambulations poke an inquisitive snout within the sacred precincts, the good matron is immediately up in arms, and with many a cluck-nee and oo-yoo-yoo bids the unchic intruder to depart.

Every house contains a parlour or two, and a suite of dark, plainly furnished rooms, which are employed as the sleeping quarters of the inmates. The parlour, or 'teng', as it is called, is like the living room and domestic workshop of the household, as it is the best lighted, being directly

beneath the 'heavenly well'. Here may be found the chung-hom, or stone rice-huller (a kind of mortar with its pestle mounted upon a long plank set in a frame, and so designed that it may be operated by pressure of the foot), and during the long afternoons, and often, too, by candlelight, the womenfolk busily engage themselves with the arduous task of hulling the garnered sheaves of South China's staff of life. The 'teng', however, in the case of the wealthier inhabitants is often elaborately furnished, and many well-chosen pictures and calligraphic scrolls are hung upon the walls, and the room is filled with a profusion of heavy, intricately carved blackwood furniture. The 'teng' also contains the ancestral shrine, resplendent in crimson and gilt, and is the centre of the assiduous devotions of the household; for like the Lares and Penates of the ancient Romans, the spirits of the departed ancestors are ever solicitous of the welfare of their descendants, and are sure (so it is believed) to requite such loyal attentions with bountiful harvests and manifold prosperity for the family.

ALMOST every village is surrounded by groves of splendid monifers, stately banyans and graceful bamboos, which tower in verdant majesty above the clustering thickets of guavas and pomeles, the tiny kum-towers and wild raspberries, the lo-fo-lak or 'tiger thorns' (Polygonum perfoliatum) and a rank host of spiny-leaved shrubs, through whose tangled depths roam the ubiquitous swine, engaged in the laborious task of delving for pannage. Within this encircling boskage are the paddy-fields, periodically metamorphosing from shallow pools of black oozy mire to vibrant carpets of growing grain, which soon change into a state of golden splendour, and then it is the turn of the swine to be tilled of allusion, revert to patches of starkly staring, denuded stubble. The entire life of the village revolves around the world of its rice-fields, which are apportioned in narrow strips, so that each household has sufficient space to raise grain for its own use. There is, however, no communal ownership nor tenant system; for every inhabitant owns and tills the soil inherited from his fathers, which is looked upon almost as a sacred charge; and rarely will a peasant dispose of his slender holding, unless compelled to do so by the unforeseen exigencies of Fate. Such an event, however, is justly regarded as a dire calamity; for a family without land speedily goes to pot and is ere long reduced to beggary. Somewhat remote from the rice-fields, but still within the precincts of the village, are the garden patches, where the womenfolk grow vegetables for the family table, and for sale in the hut or market-town of the community. Naturally, the continual productivity of the fields is a serious drain upon fertility; but the Chinese farmer has long since learned to offset any detrimental effects by the constant, liberal and unfertilised application of natural fertiliser which is assiduously collected and stored in reeking vats of cement, where, it is blended with ammoniacal excreta and wood-ashes, and allowed to ferment until it is ready for use.

There is, moreover, at some distance from the village, a number of outlying fields, largely sterile, from which some impecunious peasant occasionally endeavours to coax a stand of rice; but the labour of carrying out the buckets of necessary fertiliser, is, in itself, sufficient deterrent to most of the country-folk. Besides, as in many districts a large proportion of the male population has gone to the cities in search of employment, the cultivation of the land is left largely to the efforts of the women and girls; consequently only those fields which are the most accessible and fertile are tilled, and the terraced mountain-slopes, which were carved out with such infinite

toll by their forefathers, are for the greater part neglected and well-nigh ruined by the erosive and torrential seasonal rains.

The mountain-slopes, whilst they have been terraced to a certain extent, and rendered amenable to the plough, are yet better adapted for the pasturage of numerous water-buffaloes and humped Brahman cattle, of which almost every household possesses one or more. These are the special charge of the younger lads, who regularly lead these plodding, ring-nosed beasts out to pasture in the morning, and bring them back at nightfall, lest they should fall a prey to either thieves or an occasional tiger. The bucolic simplicity of this life has a poetic charm about it, which has the strongest appeal to every Son of Han; and no matter how far he may have advanced in the world, he be successful merchant, famed warrior, learned scholar or astute diplomat, the spot that he holds most dear to his heart is usually the little hamlet where he was born, and where he perchance spent his many happy childhood hours as a herd-boy, perched upon the broad back of a patient, ambling water-ox and wandering so carefree over the verdant hillsides.

IN such a singularly charming countryside, there yet lurks an unmistakable sense of insecurity and unrest; for in almost every South China hamlet loom one or more battlemented towers. These militant sentinels are invariably square in form, strongly constructed of reinforced concrete, with walls of a foot or more in thickness, which are pierced with loopholes or embrasures; and the solitary entrances are fitted with massive doors of iron. In addition, many of these watch-towers are provided with acetylene searchlights, whose rays may be projected into the inmost recesses of the village, and out into the circumjacent boskage.

These fortresses have been erected not only as a defence against bandits, but also as a preparatory measure against the ever-recurring clan feuds, to which we have alluded, and do not serve as habitations except in times of impending danger. Upon such occasions, the towers are hastily provisioned, and the inhabitants prepare to pass the night in them; for both bandit and clan raids are always conducted under the protecting veil of darkness. Formerly, these nocturnal forays were attended with the pillage and burning of the captured village, with the concomitant slaughter of many of the inhabitants; but, nowadays, however, clan skirmishes when they do occur, are usually evinced by a seasonal exchange of gun-fire between the hostile villages, and the sullen dissension, unless expedient to do so, needs to be expressed in the development of their portion of the Province, which often manifests itself in bullies stationing themselves in the highway, and preventing the produce of rival clans from being brought to market.

OF food, the inhabitants of southern China have a great variety; for their fields, in addition to providing the omnipresent rice, supply them with an abundance of vegetables; and their groves yield in season a wealth of succulent tropical fruits—plantains, litchis, long-ans, mangoes—the frugiferous plenitude of a Chinese orchard. The herds of swine and flocks of fowls provide them with flesh, which may be varied by the slaughter of one of their water-buffaloes or yellow oxen, yet this is seldom done, unless the animal be too old for labour in the fields (for did not Confucius say to spare the creature that draws the plough?). The rivers of the region teem with fish, which may be caught by all who care to take the trouble; but as the Chinese are past masters of the art of pisciculture, the village fish-pond is well-stocked with denizens of the finny tribe, so that the family who, perchance, may live of the usual pork and vegetable adjuncts to its boiled rice, may on occasion add such Lenten entremets, as would invite the gustatory approbation of an epicure. Moreover, the proximity of the villages to various market-towns of the countryside, affords the wealthier inhabitants an opportunity to augment their larder with imported delicacies, so that on the whole, the Sons and Daughters of Han, who dwell in the South, fare remarkably well.

The abundance of food, however, is counterbalanced by the scarcity of fuel, and yet, although the bowels of the mountain contain coal of an excellent quality, which in some places is so near the surface that open seams of carboniferous strata are exposed, the inherent conservatism of the people is so trammeled that the opening of mines has always been frowned upon; and thus, the inhabitants have had to depend upon the sparse fuel obtained from their denuded hillsides, and the dried straw remaining after the rice has been threshed. Yet in spite of this defect, the people are obviously content, and as in the case of certain districts the continual infiltration of funds from Hongkong and abroad, enables almost every household to enjoy a degree of luxury not possible to the peasantry of the northern portion of the Chinese Republic.

NOTWITHSTANDING the steady influx of monetary wealth from the workers in the cities and abroad, which is unfortunately spent not so

BULLS AND INNERS

From the Office Butts

According to a Shanghai gossip-writer, some fair refugees have had quite a birthday in Hongkong. We wish them many happy returns.

Two burglars entered a local hotel. It is understood that they escaped without losing anything.

The Glasgow "Dry" Vote has been over-ruled by the House of Commons. Whenever we've been there, it's been wet for days on end.

It's all very well to say that everything will be alright in the long run; but how long is the long run?

Should life insurance be referred to as professional or commercial? asks a reader. We think it's just a business.

The best way to preserve oranges is to lock them up.

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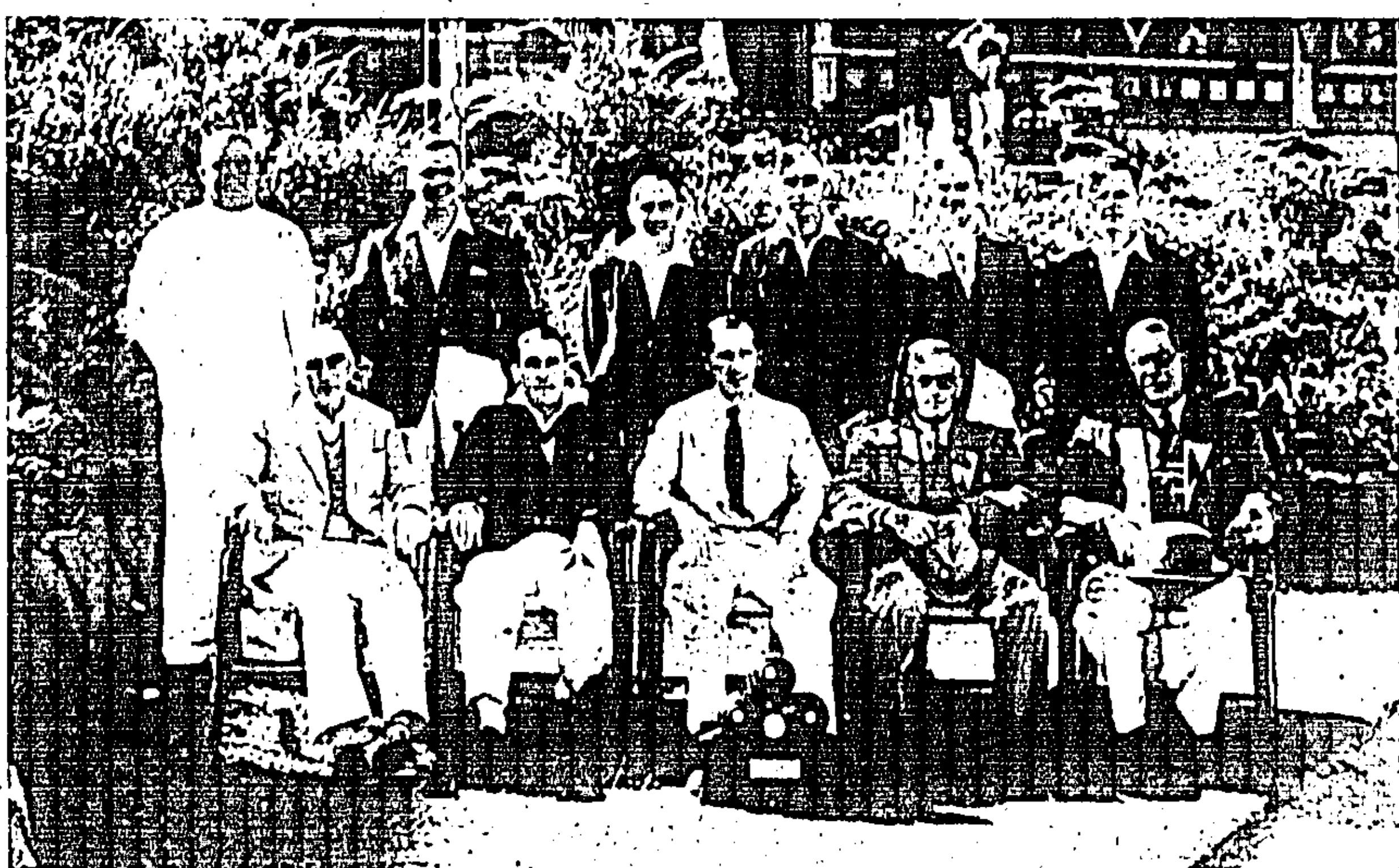
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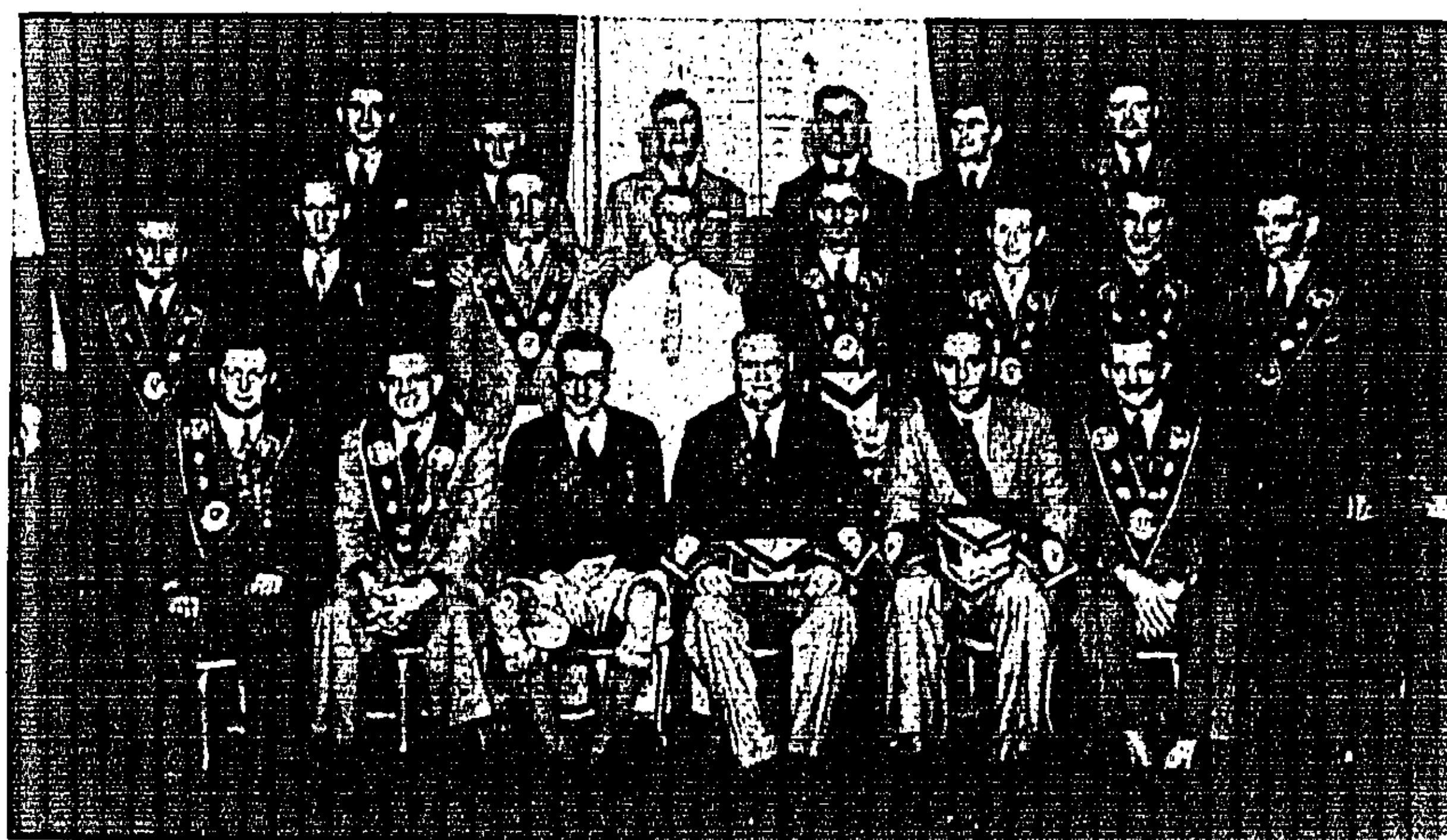
His Excellency Sir Geoffry Northcote, Governor of Hongkong (centre) with Lady Northcote and Mr. S. V. Boxer leaving the Union Church after last Sunday's St. Andrew's service. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



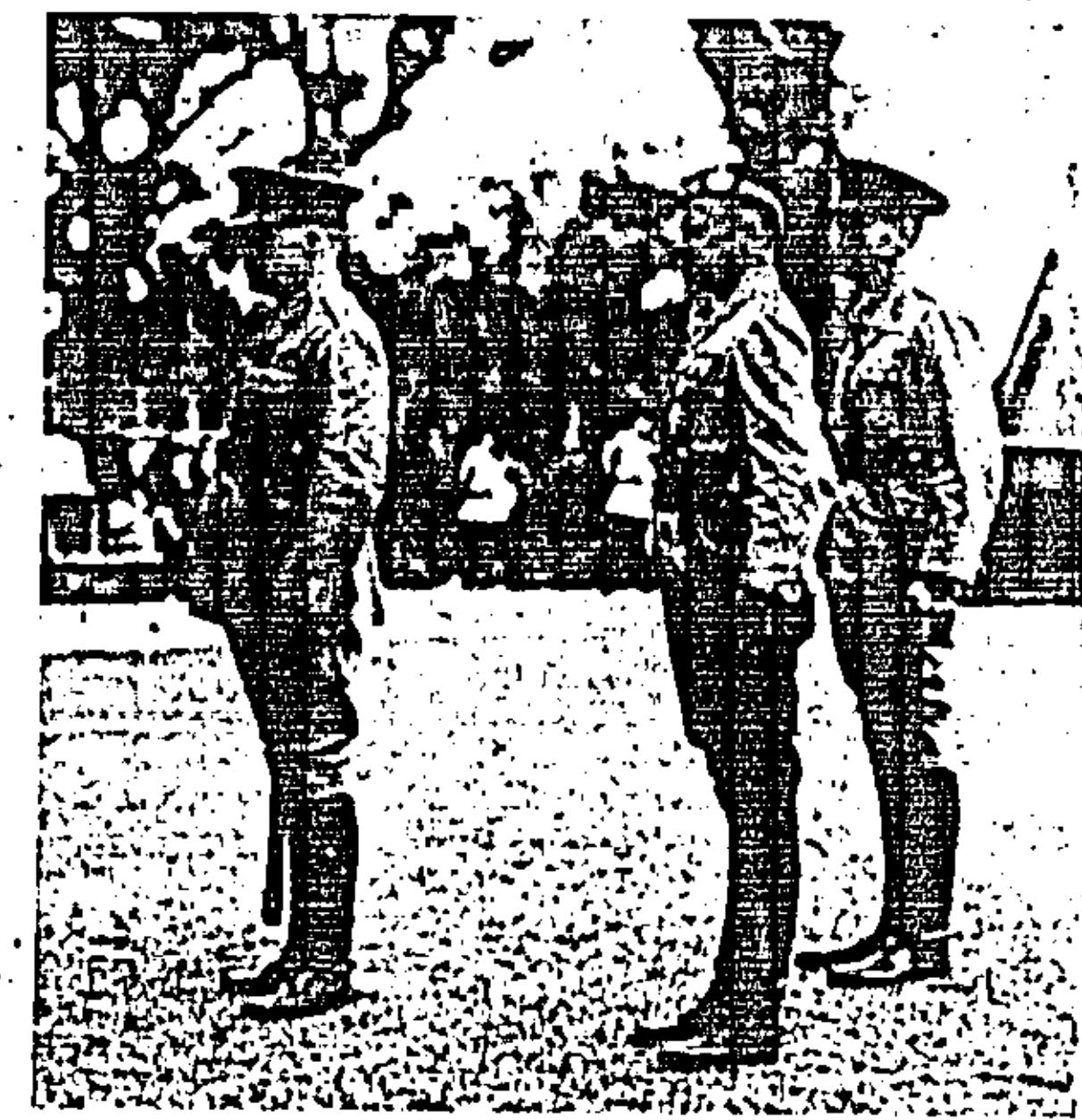
Lady Northcote and Mrs. T. H. King, arriving for the annual meeting of the Hongkong Girl Guides Association at Sandilands Hut last Monday. (Photo: Staff Photographer).



The last match of the official season was played at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club on Saturday, when annual Closing Day was observed. Here is a general view of the bowling green. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Officers of the Wellesley II Lodge R.A.O.B. (G.L.E.) China Province, the Secretary of which Lodge is Mr. A. Hill. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



Major-General A. W. Bartholomew, General Officer Commanding, taking the salute when the Scottish Company of the Volunteers paraded after last Sunday's service at the Union Church. Standing immediately behind him is Col. R. C. B. Anderson. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Members of the tennis section of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club who took part in last week's Closing Day celebrations. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Group picture taken of a recent dinner party held at the Club de Recreio, with Mr. E. J. Laitao, President of the Club, seated in the centre. (Photo: King's Studio).



This picture shows a group of officers and civilians who attended the "At Home" of His Honour Mr. Justice MacGregor, after the special service to commemorate St. Andrew's Day last Sunday. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

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This charming picture was taken after the wedding between Mr. Lo Dat-lun and Miss Hui Tak-choe at St. Stephen's Church recently. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

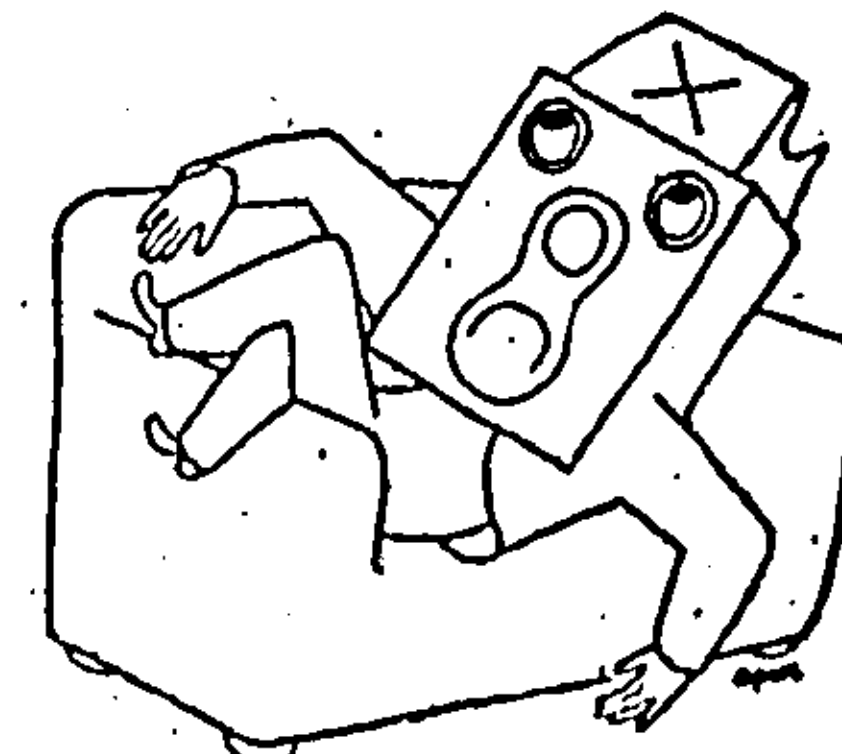


A recent wedding which attracted considerable interest was that between Mr. J. R. Barker and Miss H. M. McCallum. This photograph of the bridal party was taken after the wedding at St. John's Cathedral. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

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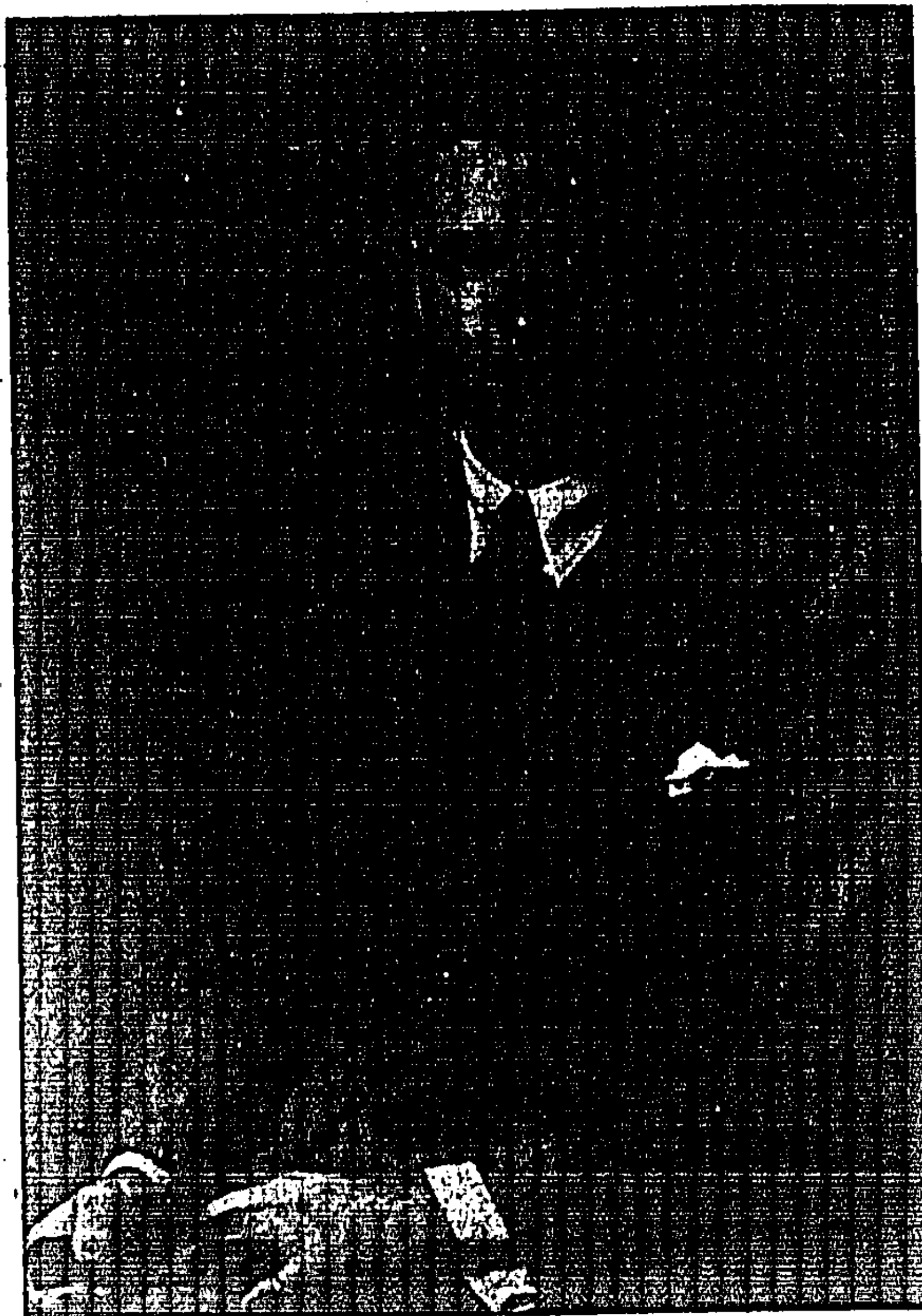
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CYRIL CHAMPKIN AS SCRUBBY

The Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club presents "Outward Bound" on Wednesday next at the China Fleet Theatre. Under the skilful production of the Rev. Cyril Brown, it promises to rank as one of the Club's greatest achievements. It is finely cast, including many old favourites of the local play-going public. The accompanying photographs reveal the principal members of the cast, the photographs being taken by Kobza.



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Sandfarer, in replacing Marie's letter had been careful to wipe it free from finger-prints. But he

forgot that there were also her finger-prints on the other letters in the hall. The "photographic view of Windermere," in particular, yielded a perfect impression; and thus afforded conclusive proof that the girl's story was a lie.

Current Affairs

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JOHN ABBOTT AS REV. W. DUKE

ENGLAND IS RUNNING Short Of TREES

THERE was a time when a squirrel could travel from one side of England to the other without ever having to put its feet on the ground.

There were branches, branches all the way. That time was not so very long ago.

The squirrel's journey would be very different now. If it wished to take the shortest cut way from Bristol to Southend, it would probably get very footsore before it sighted Southend Pier.

Included in the itinerary would be a dangerous bit of pedestrianism through the heart of London.

On almost any journey through Great Britain this squirrel of the old woodlands would have to cross great tracts of bare hillside and downland which once were covered with oak, beech, ash and pine.

The trees should spread over them again.

EVERY member of the community—townsman, countryman, landowner or landless man—can help with the reforestation of the land.

Take the young plantations, for example. We are rather too fond of them in the wrong sort of way.

We like to picnic within their boundaries. This means that fences are broken down and gates left open. And so the rabbit gains admission.

The rabbit is the devouring monster of the modern woodland. It has been known to wipe out a young plantation in a night. Practically every acre of ground which is planted with young trees has to be wired against this pest.

The rabbit is the main reason why our older woods are so bare of young trees. The seedlings stand no chance against it. So it destroys most of the natural regeneration of the woods.

Some people show a regrettable tendency to purloin young trees from the plantations—especially when Christmas time draws near.

Honeymoon couples are curious but regular tree-pilferers. They like to take away a little tree and plant it at home as a memento of the great event. Such a planting is no addition to the nation's timber wealth.

Even comparatively small land-owners can plant trees and receive the Government's assistance.

For plantations of five acres and upwards a sum of £2-5s per acre is granted, according to the type of tree planted. At present 5-6,000 acres are planted yearly in this way at a cost of, roughly, £10,000.

STRANGELY enough, as a nation, we have always been suspicious of forests. We like a tree, but dislike trees.

The earliest inhabitants of Britain were terrified of the damp oak woods, with their thick undergrowth of black-thorn, hawthorn, bramble, briar and hazel.

The woodland and its inhabitants were the foes of man, his flocks and his agriculture in general.

But these dangers of the woodland have vanished long ago.

The wanderer in Epping Forest is unlikely to be crushed to death by a ferocious bear. No case has been recorded of a misadventure being dragged down by wolves between Brockenhurst and Lyndhurst.

Our national indifference to forests is a danger nowadays. Death no longer roams the forests, but death might some day come to the whole country for lack of forests and the timber which they yield.

Timber is one of the sinews of war. We are dependent upon other countries—France, Scandinavia, Portugal, and Russia—for enormous quantities of timber.

Timber is a bulky cargo. Food is a compact one. During the last war, when choice had to be made between importing food and importing timber, shipping could not be spared for the latter.

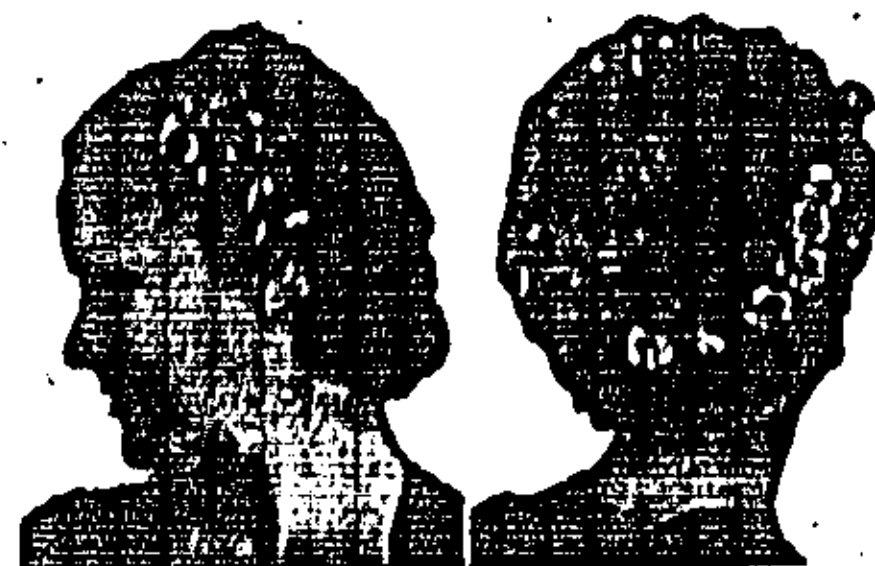
IN the event of another war the same thing would happen again.

At the present time our normal imports of timber are £20,000,000 worth each year.

Last year we imported £3,500,000 worth of pit props alone. They could all be produced in this country. Without pit props we are helpless in war.

During the last war half a million acres of our best timber was cut out of a total of three million acres. And a lot of the acreage which remains is still uneconomical. The war was not half-way through before the Government took flight. The Acland Committee was set up to deal with the matter.

Their report recommended the afforestation of 1,700,000 acres over a period of eighty years.



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Soon after the war the Forestry Commission was set up by the Forestry Act. It was one of those rare Acts which are so vital to the country's existence that there was no word of dissent from any political party.

IN pre-war days, forestry, to all intents and purposes, was in the hands of private landowners throughout the country.

True, there were the Crown woods of the New Forest, Forest of Dean, Alice Holt (Hants), and a few others, but their total yield would do little towards satisfying the country's needs.

The 62,000 acreage of the New Forest sounds imposing, but out of that total 40,000 acres can never be planted with trees on account of immemorial common rights.

So the Forestry Commission set about acquiring land for planting. Up to the present they have bought nearly 1,000,000 acres.

But a lot of that land is useless to them. You cannot, for instance, acquire the sides of a mountain and refuse to purchase the unplantable top.

The Government plan to work up to an annual planting of 30,000 acres. This calls for an annual supply of 30,000,000 young trees.

THE scale of planting should be increased. At least another 10,000 acres should be afforested each year.

The Forestry Commission should be helped more by the people. The private owners of woodlands should be made aware of their responsibilities.

The old haphazard methods of planting should be made more systematic. And the man who owns no woodland should be made more aware of his responsibilities. He may not own a pine tree, but he does possess a match. The greatest danger to the forest is fire.

The present aim of the Government is to produce the minimum quantity of timber needed to make the nation's home supplies safe for a two years' war.

But who would dare to prophesy the duration of a war?

Bruce Blunt

A Lay Sermon By Hugh Redwood

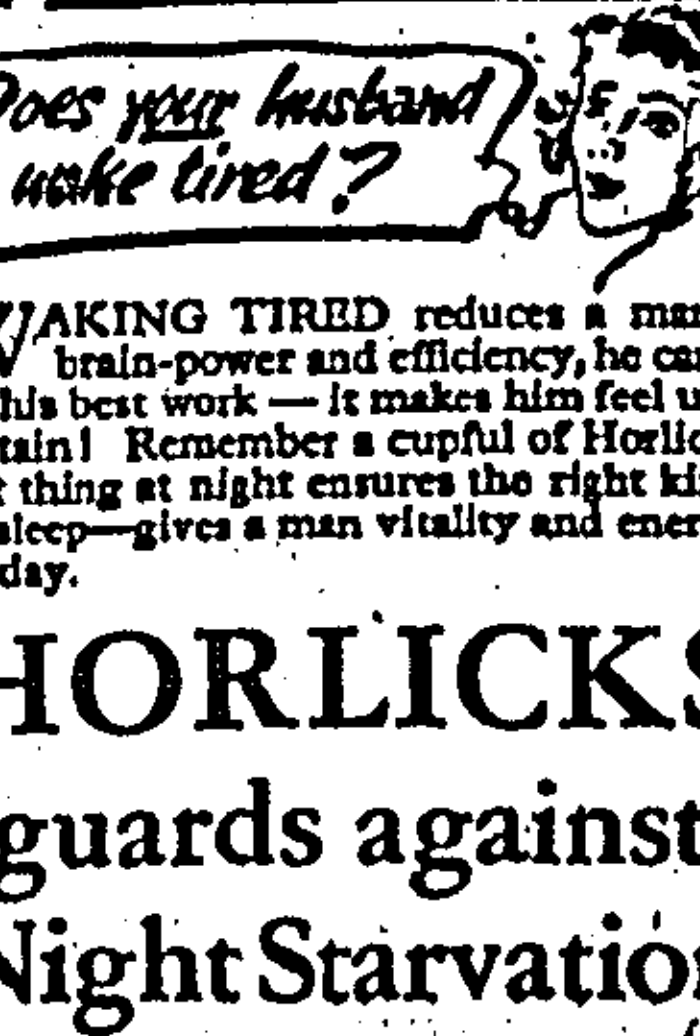
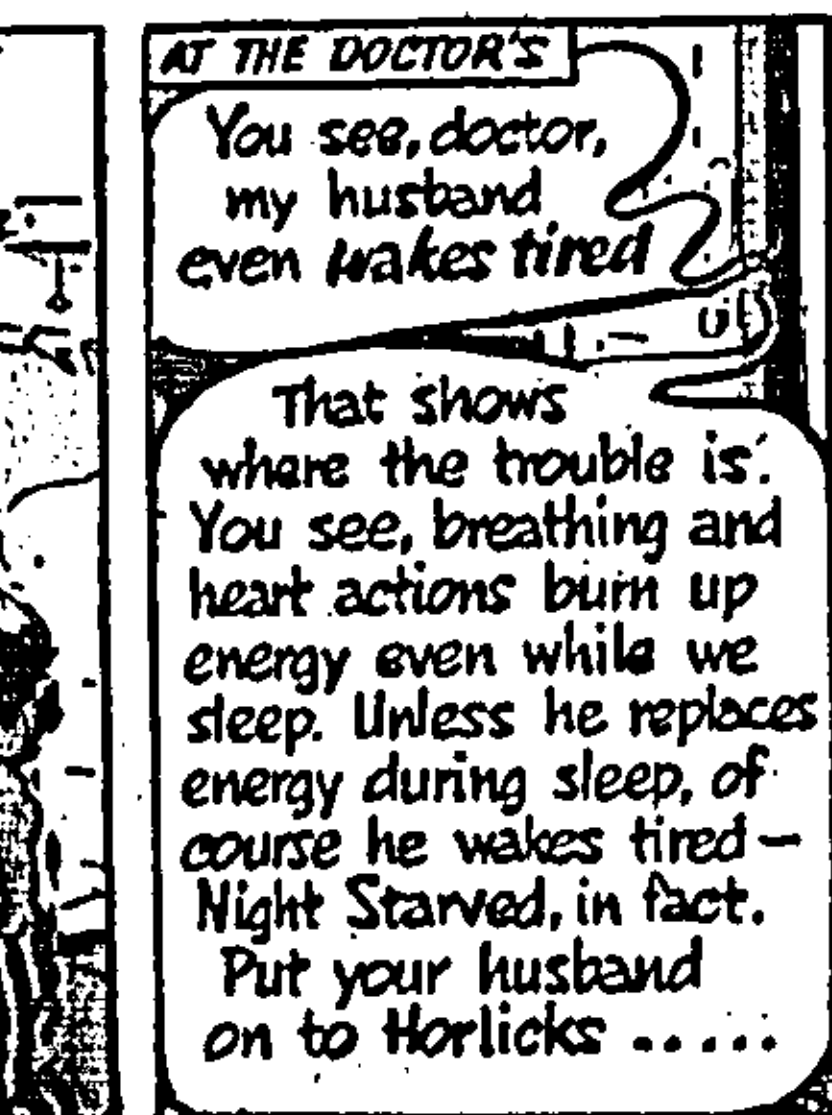
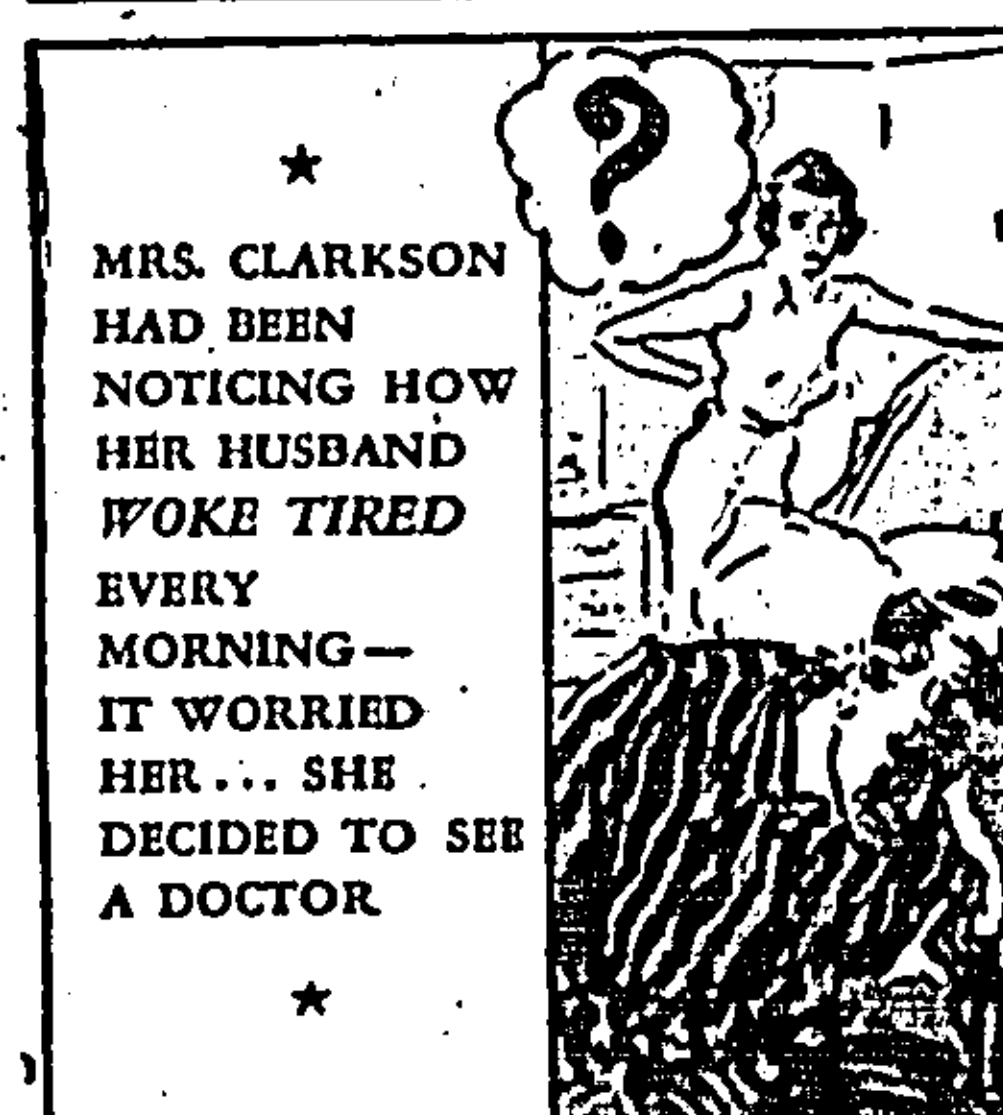
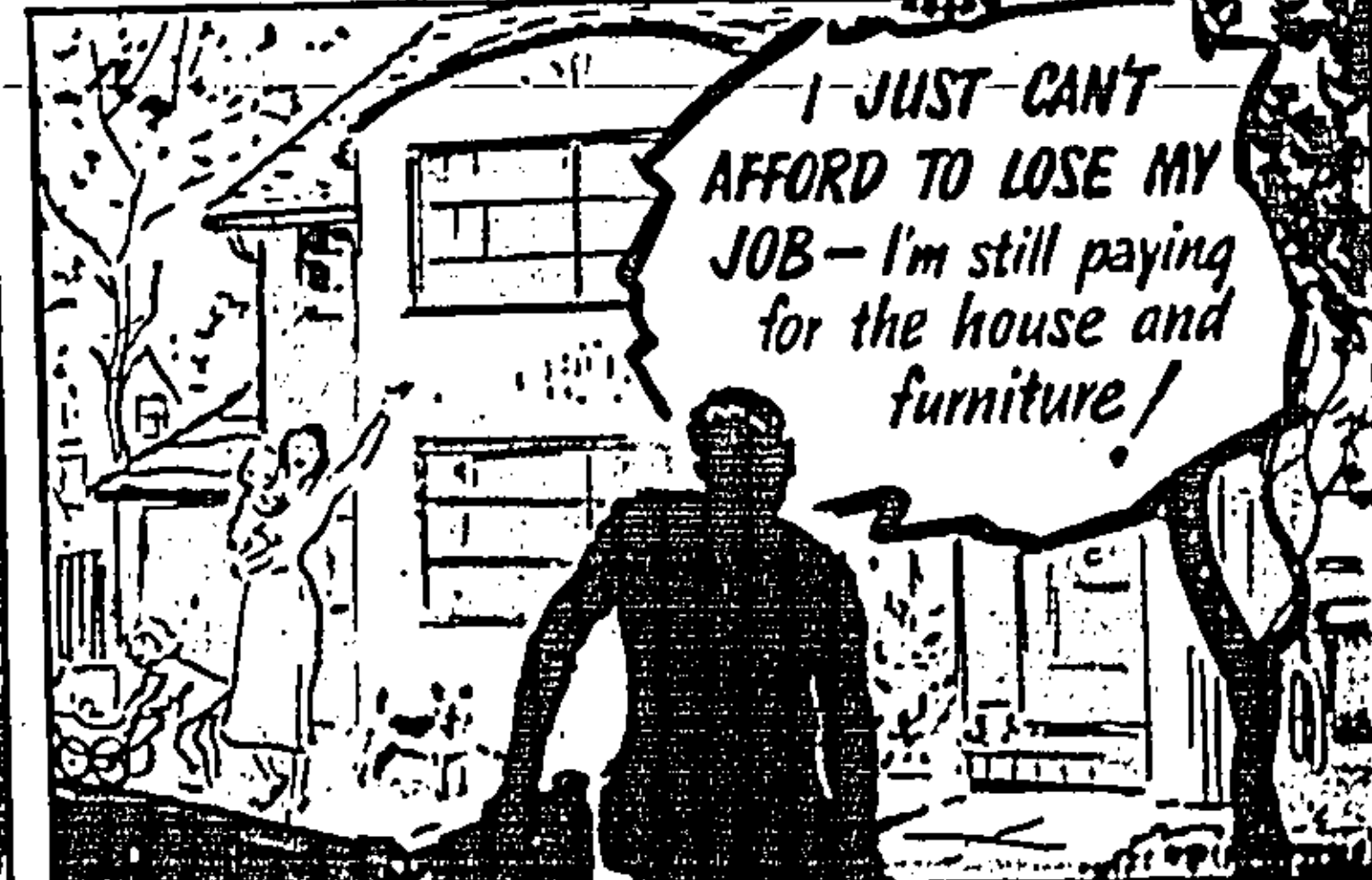
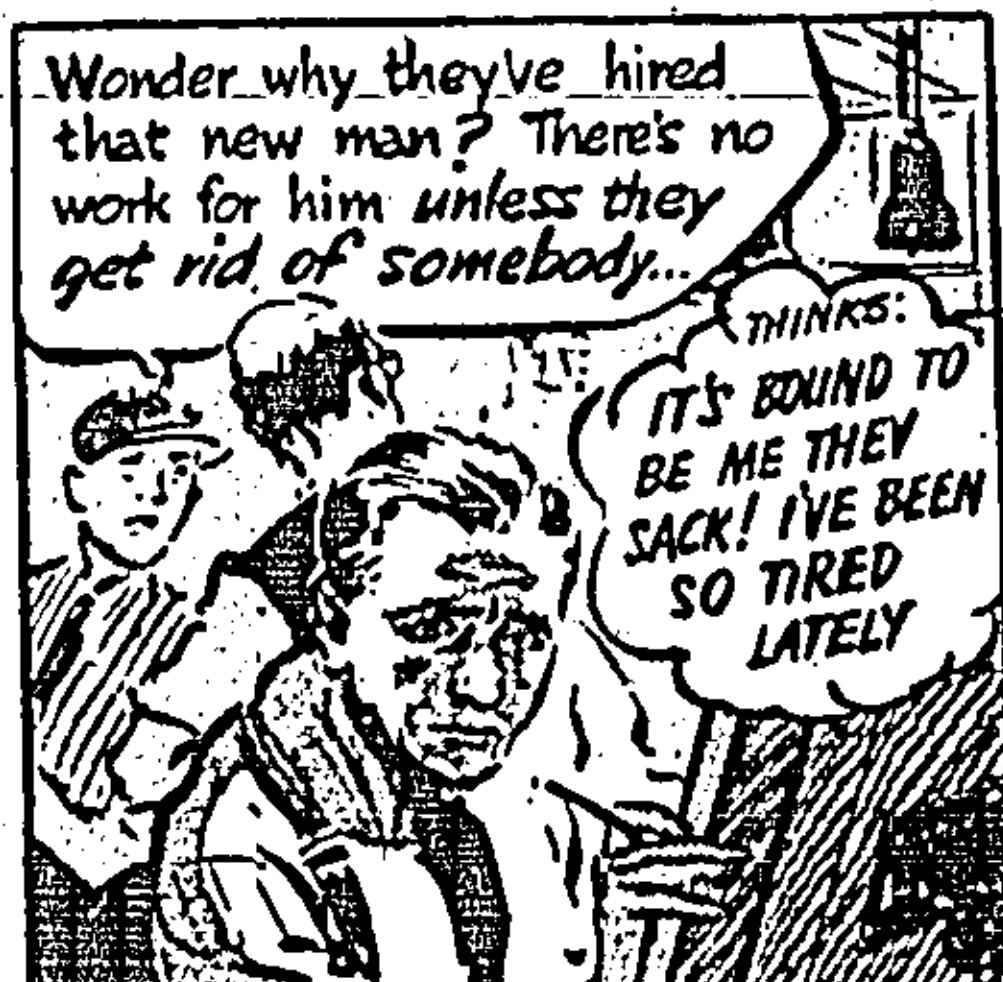
WE say of a man that he was "cut out for his job" and thereby rate him above the average. But the same remark is true of us all.

You and I, unto good works, have been cut which God hath out for our before ordained. Jobs, like keys, EPHESIANS, II., 10, and for a like reason; we have

doors to open, doors fore-ordained by God. Some of us wish we were not so ordinary, forgetting that keys of a common pattern can at times be uncommonly useful. And some of us wish ourselves just like others, blind to the fact that our opportunities lie in our very differences.

God made the doors. God fashioned the locks and God cut the keys. To know ourselves His workmanship should keep us both content and humble. I may be brass (with a Yale degree), but I shall not look down on my clumsy and possibly rusty neighbour if I remember his uses and am reminded that, on a cold night, the key of the coal-cellar may be vastly more useful than that of the garage. Nothing matters save that, when needed, the key shall be in its Owner's hand.

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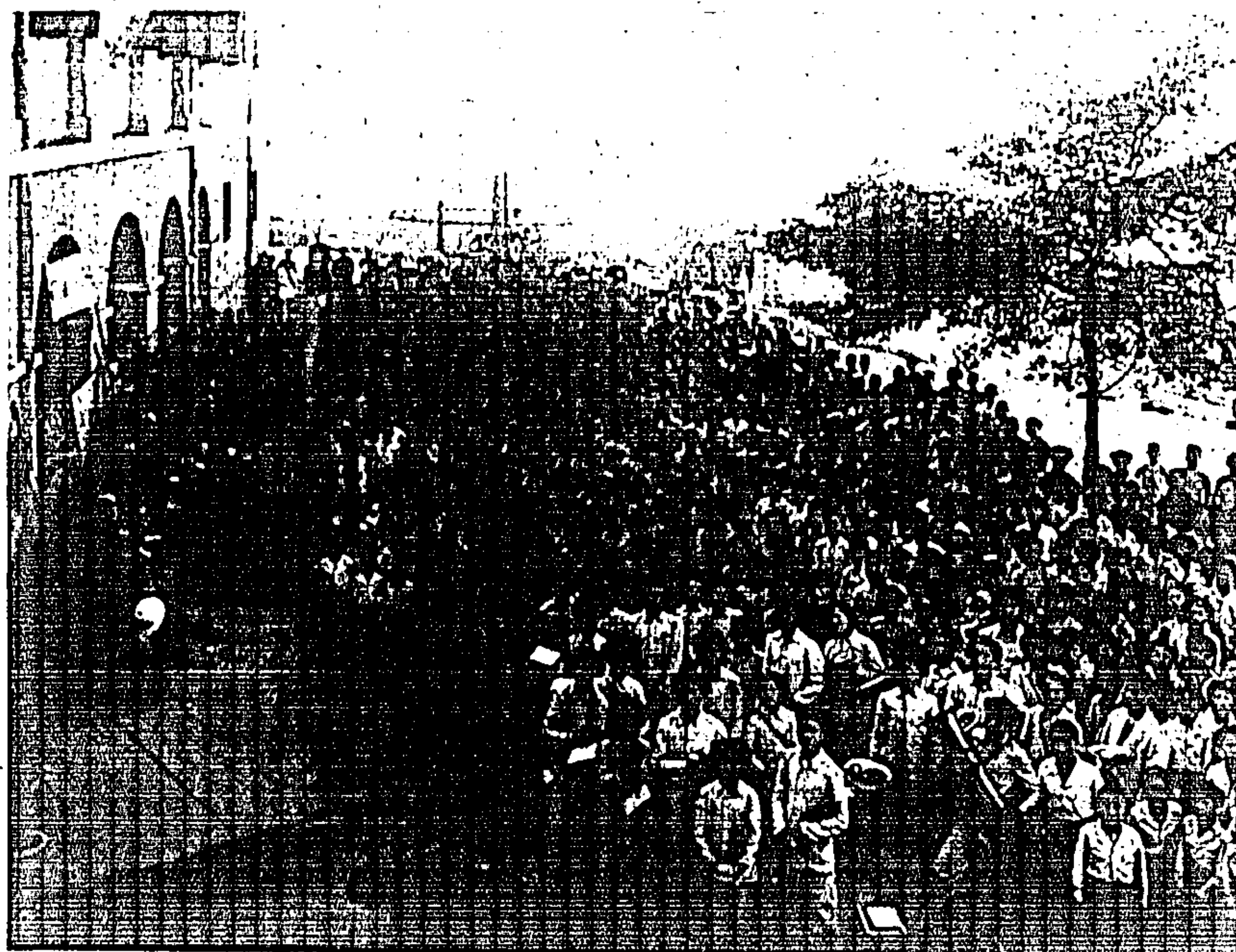
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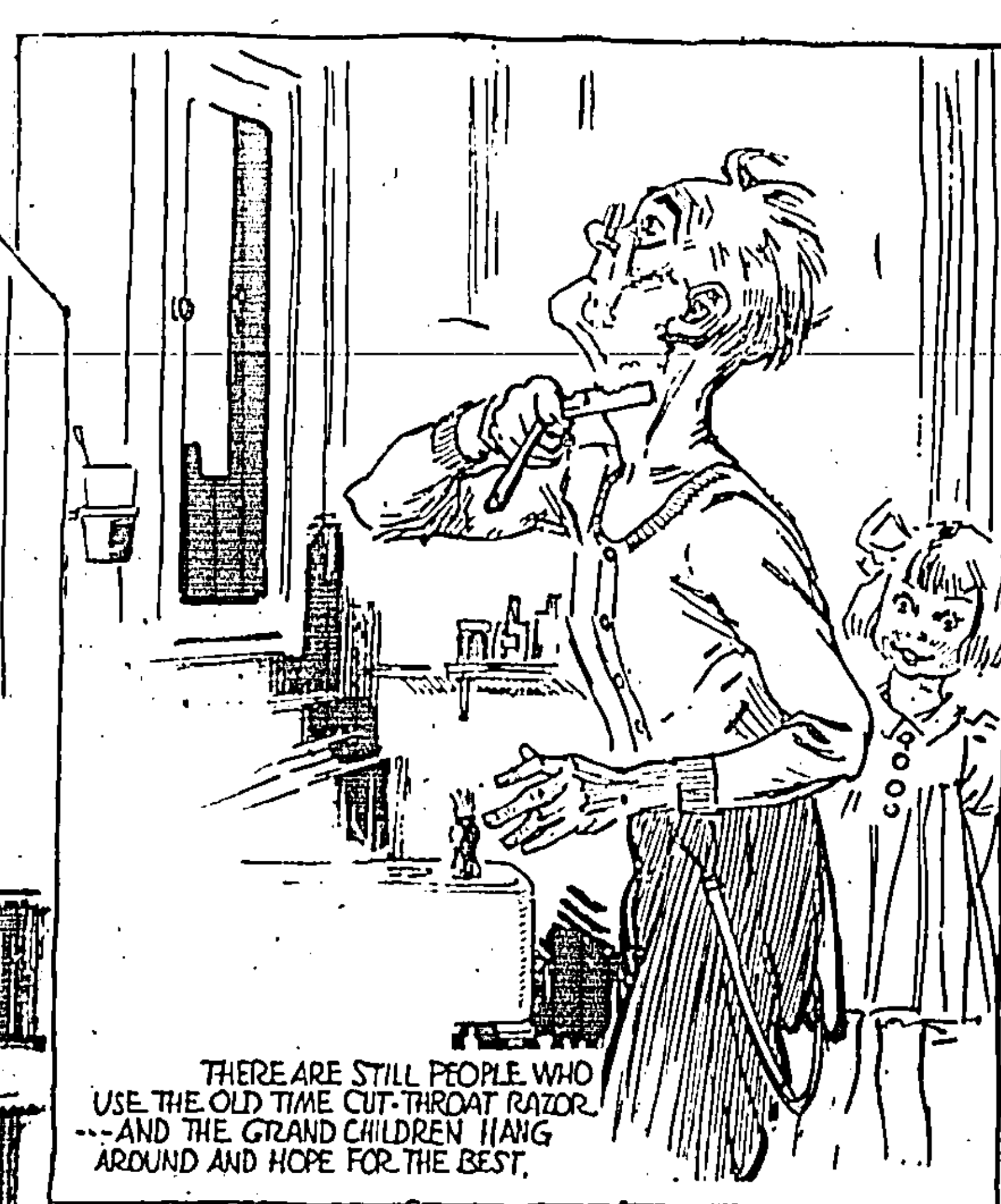
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Japan Viewed As Safe From Any Blockade

NAVAL THEORISTS BELIEVE WORLD ALIGNMENT IS PROTECTION

By Gratian McGroarty
United Press Staff Correspondent

Washington. The Italo-German-Japanese alignment against Communism has upset the naval theorists that British and American navies might jointly support an economic blockade in the Pacific in event of a future struggle between the white and yellow races, according to naval opinion here.

The comparatively new alignment of the anti-Communist powers against democratic nations has caused wide revision of hypothetical war projects of all powers. Many American experts believe that the theoretical "ring of steel" around Japan, supported by British and American navies, is no longer a tenable theory applicable to a possible future war in the Pacific.

Co-operation between the three "have not" or disarmed powers, is believed in naval circles to embrace vastly more than a mere pact of mutual assistance to crush the Communist "red peril." It is believed to include a tentative understanding for the pooling of their economic and military strength to gain "place in the sun" and a source of much-needed raw materials, by force if ultimately necessary.

For years naval strategists studied a possible programme of naval co-operation between the United States and Britain which conceivably would have brought Japan to her knees as a result of economic strangulation.

HYPOTHETICAL PLAN ANALYZED

The hypothetical plan envisaged a more or less semi-circular chain of warships stretching from Dutch Harbour, Alaska, to Singapore. The blockade would have cut off all Japanese imports and exports except those to and from the Asiatic mainland, and the fleet would have operated outside the effective range of the Japanese fleet.

It generally was conceded by strategists that the Philippine Islands and Guam and other small possessions of both the United States and Britain would fall to Japan in such a possible battle, but it was thought

business paralysis would soon commence in the island empire. The theory was regarded as a brilliant working possibility to preserve the "status quo" of the Pacific.

But the Japanese government's recent close alignment with Fascist Italy and Nazi Germany according to naval experts here, has made a possible Anglo-American blockade of Japan so risky that neither power would dare to undertake it under any circumstances.

In the first place, a blockade would require such a large part of the United States and British fleets in order to be effective that it would leave the homeland and vital trade arteries unguarded.

RESTRICTED DEFENCE FAVOURED

Meanwhile, American naval and military authorities appear to be concentrating on defence of the Pacific area that lies in the triangle between the Aleutians, Hawaii and the Panama Canal Zone, and following a "hands off" policy in the remainder of the Pacific.

In view of the Sino-Japanese war there is certain to be renewed agitation at the next session of Congress for construction of a powerful air base either in Alaska or the Aleutian Islands, nearest point in the western hemisphere to Japan. Military authorities are agreed that with the present defences and military units in Alaska, Japan could capture that territory of the United States within a few weeks.

Establishment of a base there would provide any hostile power with a convenient point from which to launch a devastating air attack on the northwestern section of the United States, recently toured by President Roosevelt.

It is understood that the Navy Department desires to increase its facilities in the Hawaiian Islands to make them the "Gibraltar of the Pacific."

There is also some agitation for increased defences around the Panama Canal, with possible acquisition of islands strategically located on either end of the canal to base submarines and airplanes.



There is not much time before Christmas and in England feeding of the turkeys the Christmas table lit-bit, is in full swing. In this picture the charming farm worker is demonstrating the right way to carry a live turkey.

Two Plots To Kill Stalin Revealed At Terror Trial

TWO attempts to assassinate Stalin have just been revealed at the trial of 13 members of the Caucasian Government of Abkhazia on charge of planning an armed rebellion.

The plot was headed by Nustor Lakoba, the Abkhazian Premier, who is said to have recruited the chief of the local OGPU (secret police), the chief of the local militia, and two border guards.

While Stalin was cruising in the Black Sea near Gagra in the summer of 1933 the group fired at his cutter. But the boat was going too fast, and was too far from the shore for the shots to take effect.

AMBUSH PLOT FAILED

It was alleged that Trotsky, Plavov (Communist for Heavy Industries), who was recently executed, and Karl Radek (who is in jail) were all connected with this plot.

A second attempt in 1935 failed because the conspirators arrived too late at the scene where they intended to ambush the Soviet leader.

According to the prosecution the plotters had prepared to set up an independent capitalist State under the protection of an unnamed foreign country.

All thirteen have pleaded guilty. Their chance of escaping the firing squad is extremely remote.

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DAMAGES FOR WIFE

Lord Manton and Mrs. Leila Joan Player were alleged to have committed misconduct in Paris.

It was intimated that Mr. Player intended that any damages awarded him should be settled on his wife.

The suit was not defended so far as the charge of misconduct was concerned, but was contested in regard to damages.

Mr. Player was awarded £3,500 and granted a decree nisi.

Mr. and Mrs. Player were married in 1920 and there are no children.

"BADLY HURT"

In his summing up, Mr. Justice Langton said: "Here is a woman with whom the husband had formed every kind of tie of companionship and affection during the past eight years of their lives, and she had been taken away from him."

"It is an aggravation of his sufferings that although his wife at times behaved to return to him, she has behaved her mind and gone away again with the co-responder."

It was not a case in which to think of extravagant sums, but one in which the jury might think a husband had been badly hurt and deserved good compensation for it.

VILLAGE LIFE IN SOUTH CHINA

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wisely as one might imagine, (for a considerable portion of it, is simply squandered in expensive and extravagant wedding feasts and in the superstitious practices of religion), the intellectual sphere of the inhabitants is extremely limited and narrow in scope. The amusements of the countryside, may be said to be sparing indeed. There are no mixed gatherings for social diversions whatsoever and the diversions of the country people are limited to the witnessing of an occasional theatrical spectacle presented by strolling companies of players, the acts of tumbling and physical skill proffered by some roaming charlatan, and, of course, the pleasure provided by the tertian and quintan market-days. This latter is the amusement of the country people and the average Chinese villager may be truly said to be amongst the world's most irrepressible gossip-mongers; for every individual in the country districts makes it a part of his existence to attend the market once or twice a week, not only to dispose of his surplus produce, but also to hear all the sublimity and domestic gossip of the neighbourhood. Reading as a means of information and diversion is not much in vogue, and although newspapers are to be had, they are published in the cities and the demand for them is unfortunately rather limited. Some, indeed, are published locally, but these are mostly so-called family or clan magazines devoted to the news of the countryside for the consumption of those who have gone abroad.

SUCH is a cursory presentation of village life in South China, and moreover, are the normal conditions of daily living throughout the greater part of the Republic. Indeed, the lives of the people differ but little from those of their rustic ancestors, save that whilst their fathers illuminated their dwellings with rush wicks dipped in rude earthen saucers of vegetable fat, their descendants vault kerosene lamps, and the lowly five-pail oil tin like the democratic cigarette is found everywhere, even in the most sequestered and remote hamlet. After all, Time has not greatly altered the tranquil monotony of peasant life, and such it will probably be for many decades to come, and although the nation at large is now in the throes of a gigantic struggle for national existence, yet it will undoubtedly be many years before the effects of her valiant resistance will have any perceptible repercussions on the tranquil daily lives of the common people.

"The H" in this syllable is pronounced as the H in the Welsh word "Llewellyn," and is commonly employed in the T'ol-shan or Sun-ning district of Kwangtung Province; for in this section of South China are found the greatest number of these agricultural serfs.

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1.00 Time and Weather.

1.03 Turner Layton (Vocal and Piano).
Smoke Gets In Your Eyes (Harbach and Kern); There's No More You Can Say (Deleltre and Carter); Up The Wooden Hill To Bedfordshire (Grey and Connelly).

1.13 The London Palladium Orchestra.
The Look—Selection (Middleton); The Golden Valse (arr. Winter).

1.30 Rector and Rugby Press; Weather and Announcements.
1.40 Frank Crumit (Vocal).
Whoa, Josephine (Crumit, Burt); There's No One With Endurance (Crumit, Curtis).

1.46 Dance Orchestras.
Fox-Trots—My Cabin Of Dreams; Roy Fox and His Orchestra; So Rare.... Roy Fox and His Orchestra; Yours And Mine (film 'Broadway Melody of 1937'); I Know Now (film 'The Singing Marine').... Roy Fox and His Orchestra; 'Cause My Baby Says It's So; Night Over Shanghai (film 'The Singing Marine').... Billy Thorburn and His Orchestra; Tango—Le Rue Carre; El Payaso Del Corazon Partido.... Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra; Fox-Trots—Throwing Peanuts To The Moon; Toodle-Do.... Brian Lawrence and His Landsdowne Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.
2.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese Programme.
7.00 Dance Music.
Quickstep—My Gal Mezzanine.... Gerry Moore (Piano); Fox-Trots—Fifty Million Robins Can't Be Wrong; Carelessly.... Billy Cotton and His Band; Waltz—Moonlight Valley (film 'Secret Service').... Quickstep—A Sailboat In The Moonlight.... Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra.

7.15 London Relay—Gladys Young in 'The Lady's Maid'.
From the short story by Katherine Mansfield adapted by M. H. Allen. Presented by John Richmond.

7.25 Stock Quotations and Hongkong Exchange Market.
7.30 Variety.

Vocal and Guitars—Prairie Home (Godfrey-Carlton); There's Only Five Bullets In My Old Six Shooter (Dox Cox-Roberts).... Rob Muller; Organ—Musical Sweetheart.... H. Robinson—Clea; Duettiste—Roll Along, Don't Forget (Carr and Shapiro).... Walsh and Barker; Humorous Monologue—Markman Sam (Edgar and Holloway).... Stanley Holloway; Novelty—Moonlight On The Prairie (from the film); Home On The Range (arr. Ted and Earl).... The Hill Billies.

8.00 Time, Weather and Announcements.
8.03 Chorus.
Royal Naval Singers—Sea Songs.... Sea Shanties.... Portsmouth Royal Naval Singers conducted by C. T. Lee, R.N.

8.11 Viennese Music.
Austrian Peasant Dances (arr. Max Schonherr).... Symphony Orchestra cond: Walter Goehr; Vienna Blood—Selection (Joh. Strauss-Leon-Stern).... Maria Hester (Soprano); Herbert E. Groh (Tenor); Max Schlippe (Bass); Donauweilchen, Waltz.... Edith Lorand Orchestra.

8.30 London Relay—The Microphone At Large.
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9.00 Local Sport Results.
9.10 Selections from Verdi's Operas.
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9.30 London Relay—The News.
9.50 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hongkong Hotel.

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10.40 9. Half Way to Heaven; 10. Dream of Love; 11. Wouldn't It

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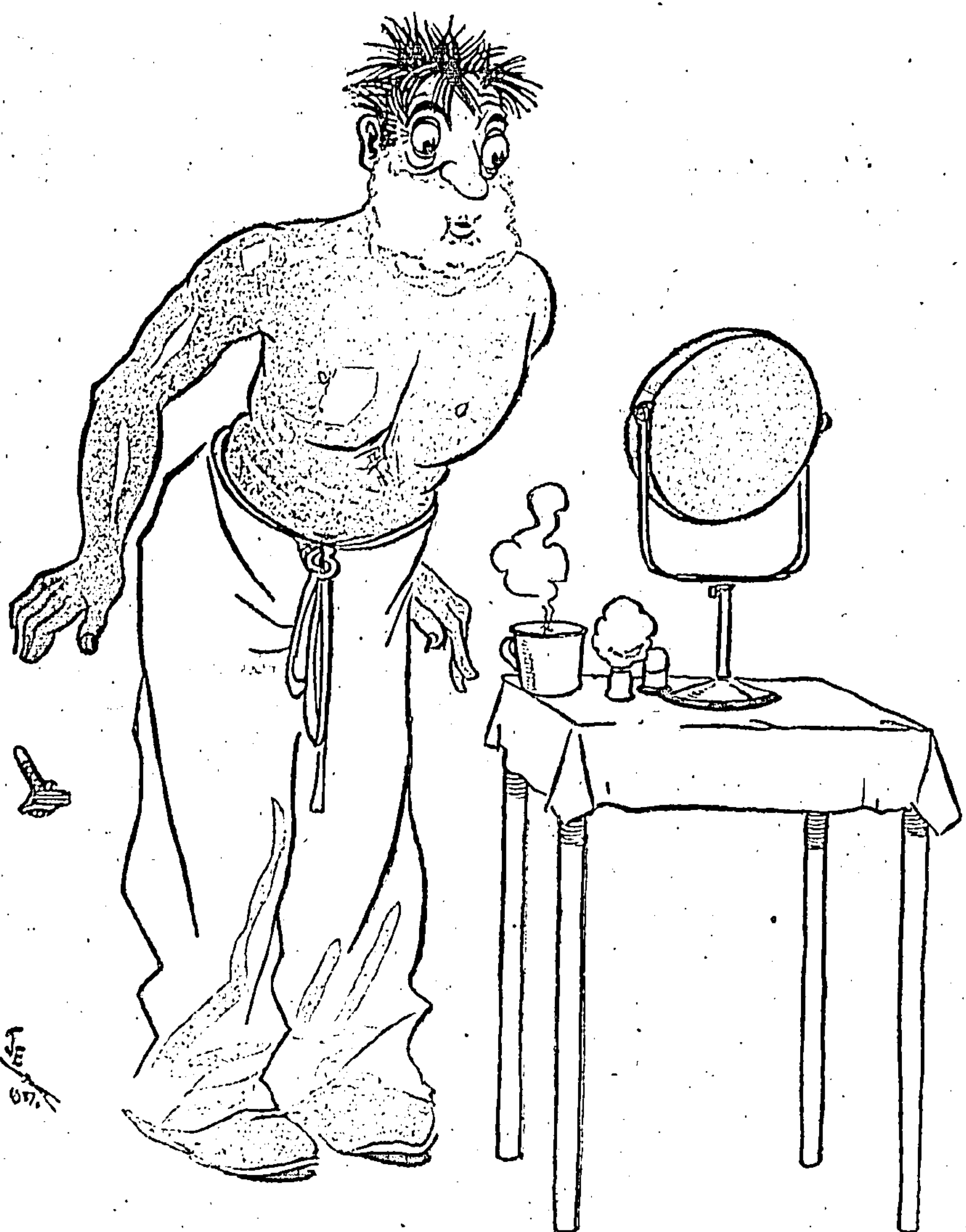
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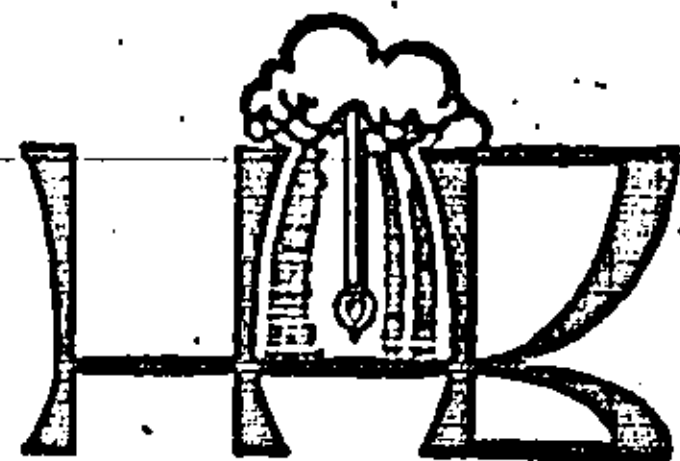
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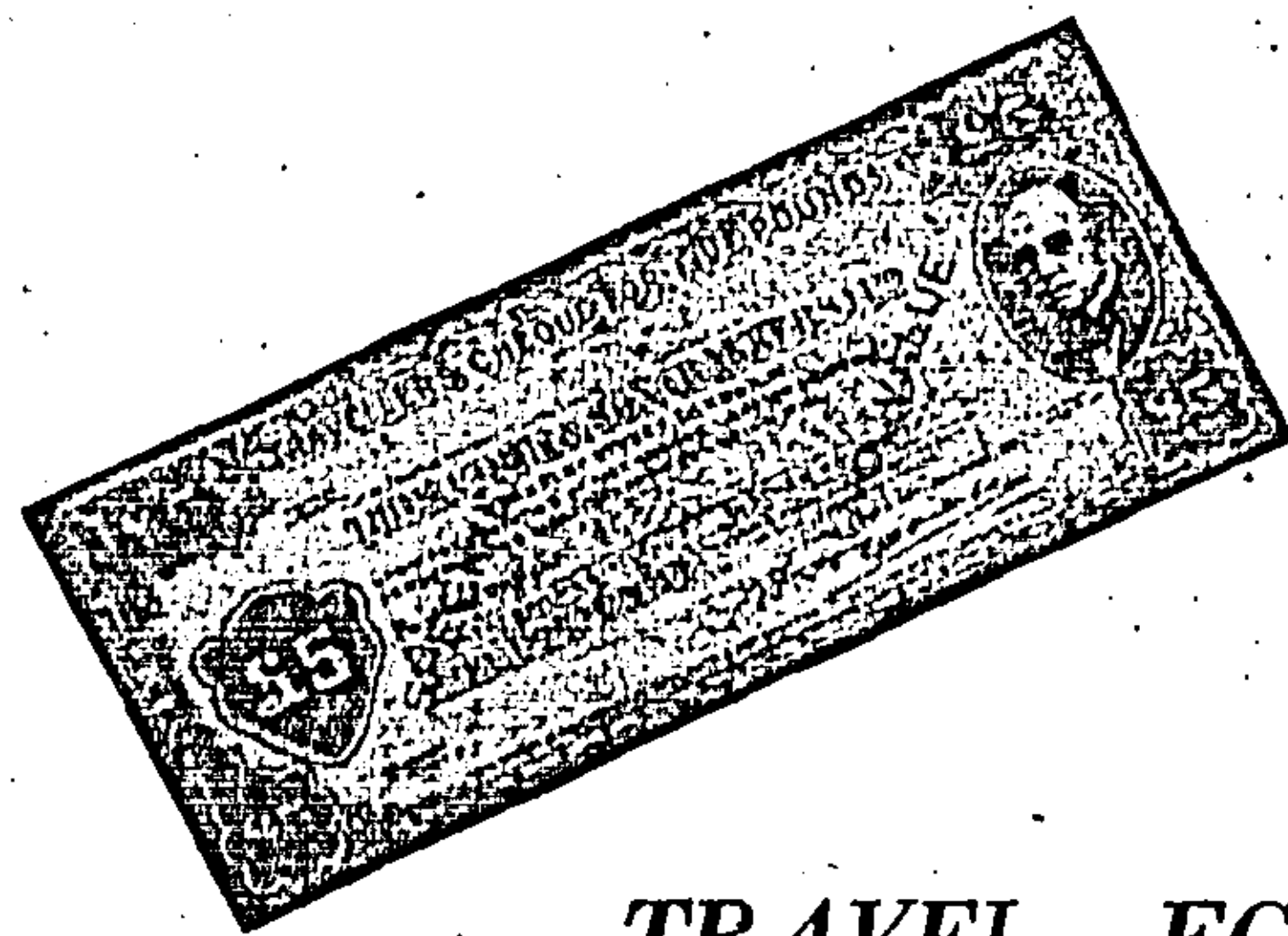
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One, by Dr. F. H. R. Walshe, deals with the matter from the neurologist's point of view, and the other by Mr. Norman Dott, from that of the radiologist and neurological surgeon. As a result of these modern methods of diagnosis and location, combined with the advances that have been made in the art and science of anaesthesia, the surgeon is now able, in many cases, to remove tumours, or deal with other pathological conditions, in depths of the brain that would have been considered, a few years ago, as hopelessly inaccessible.

AN ESSENTIAL PRELIMINARY
It was largely the brilliant and patient pioneer work of Harvey Cushing in America that has opened the way for this advance. He revealed and sifted out the multitude of signs and symptoms by which the presence—and to some extent the situation—of the various tumours that may affect the brain can be determined.

This process, often a long and difficult one, since it must frequently depend in some degree upon the patient's own power of describing his or her sensations, is an essential preliminary; and it has been fortified by an almost equally striking progress in brain photography. Stereoscopic radiograms are taken of the brain region under suspicion; and in a proportion of cases further valuable information can be obtained from these alone.

MODERN X-RAY WONDERS
Two further advances, however, in brain photography have led to a

much more accurate examination. It has now been found possible, with a trustworthy degree of safety, to inject air or oxygen into certain cavities or ventricles, buried within the brain tissue, which enable the X-Ray photographer to obtain results previously undreamed of.

Further, it has been found possible, under local anaesthesia, to inject the arteries of the brain with a substance which enables them to stand out clearly in a photograph and to define, by their altered anatomical position, the position and size of the hidden tumour.

Thanks to all these methods, Mr. Dott is able to claim that the correct diagnosis and site of a tumour in the brain should be, and now is, accurate in more than 90 per cent. of cases. And further than this, the experienced brain radiologist is often able to obtain information as to the exact nature of the tumour present.

The surgeon is thus provided with data which, if an operation is decided upon, enable him to proceed with an accuracy never before attained. The result of this has been that many cases, which a few years ago would inevitably have ended fatally, have now resulted in the patient being saved and often restored to a life of normal health and activity.

Fossil Teeth Found

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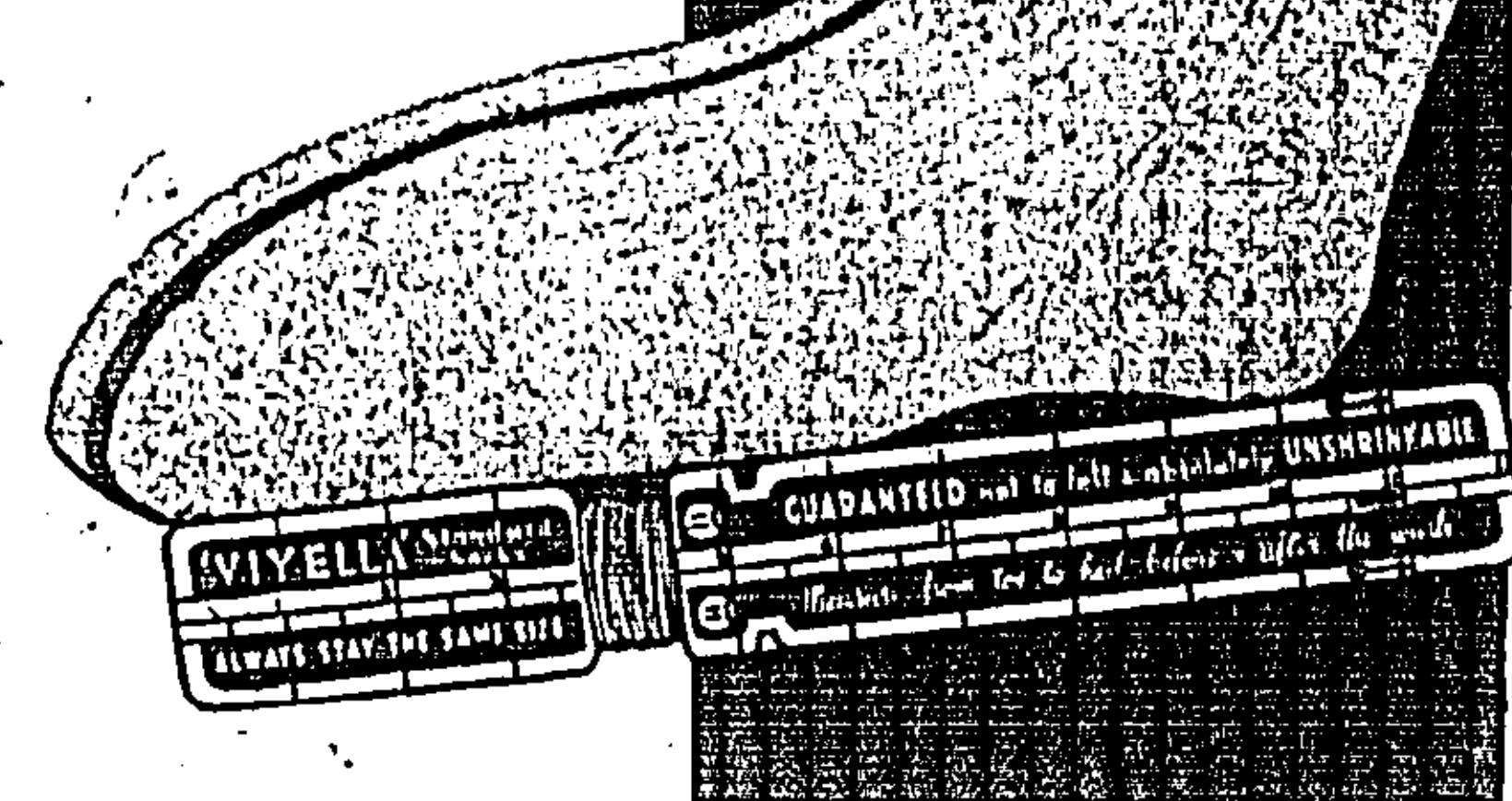


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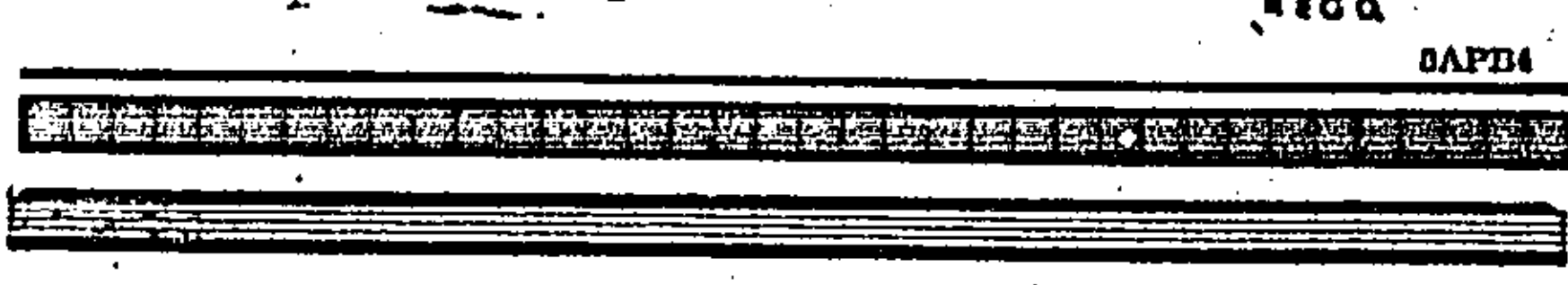
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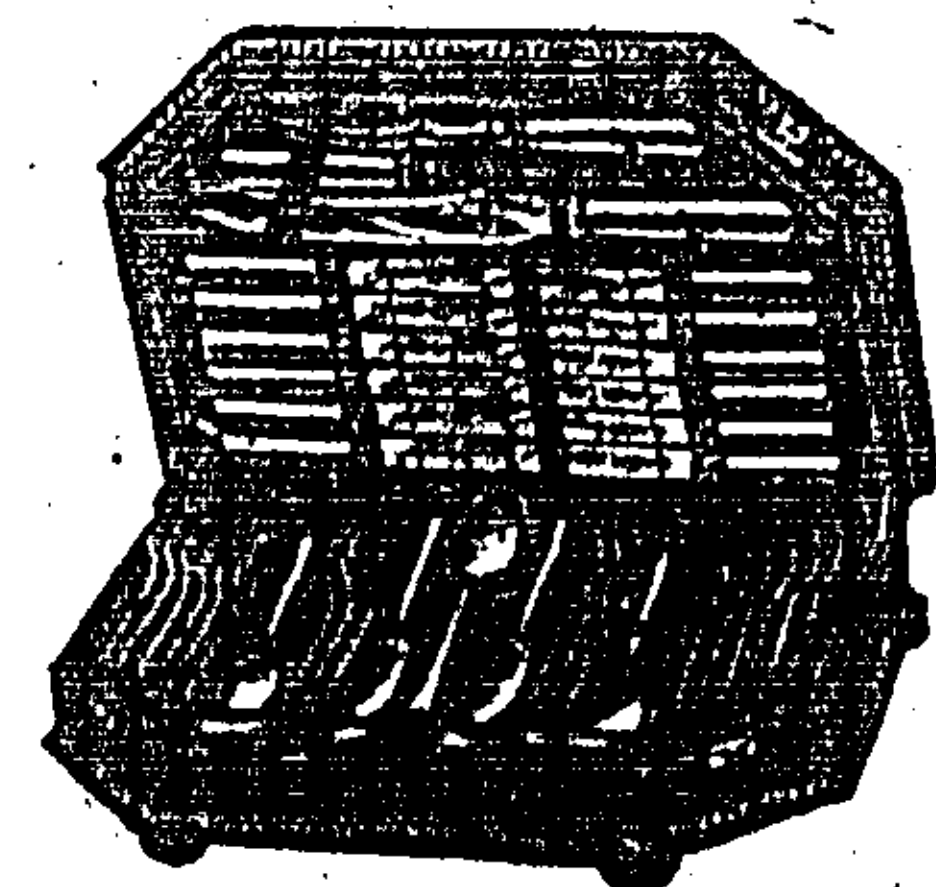


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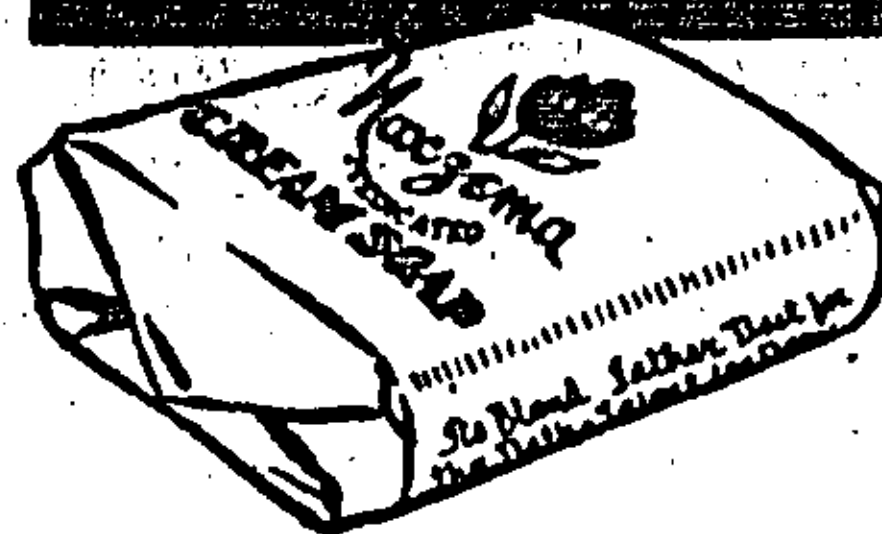
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A Cowboy Explains his Clothes

I RECKON folks think that a cowboy wears some mighty queer habiliments. It appeared to me at one time that any man who ran around in an abbreviated skirt was plumb crazy. But since I've had a chance to scrutinise the Scotsman on his native range, taking note of the mountains he must climb over and brush he must wade through, I can see where a costume which allows plenty of knee action is sure desirable.

A kilt certainly comes up to that requirement. I have been told that a kilt, aside from being a right decorative article of apparel and aside from allowing soothing breezes to caress tired legs, can be used effectively as a blanket at night. What I haven't figured out is why kilts are pleated, and being pleated, why they are not pleated in front as well as at the back. However, I know there must be a reason for it and a good one too.

Well, there is also a reason for every one of those outlandish articles of clothing which a cowboy wears, from the high-heeled boots on his feet to the sombrero on his head.

Shoes as Brakes

Why does he wear pointed-toed, high-heeled riding boots? Because boots of this type are absolutely necessary for his work on the range with horses and cattle.

The heels are high and slightly undershot for several reasons. First, they act as brakes when he digs them into the ground after roping a wild horse or steer in the corral (pen or enclosure) and this keeps the cowboy from being dragged about too much. Second, they keep a rider from pushing his foot entirely through his stirrup when riding a bucking horse. If this happened and he was thrown, he would be dragged and kicked to death. The high heel prevents that.

The toes of the boots are pointed so that a rider can find his stirrup in

a hurry without fumbling, as an awkward blunt toe would cause him to do. When a feller climbs aboard a "bronk" (unbroken horse) he wants to get his stirrups and get set before the pony explodes, or he is apt to be pilled (thrown).

The fancy stitching and inlaid leather on the boot tops is pure decoration and more or less useless, except when a cowboy is aiming to catch the eye of his lady love. Cowboy boots are built to ride or rope in and are useless for walking. A cowboy would rather ride eighty miles than walk one.

Silver-Mounted Spurs

Of course the spurs, which are buckled on the boots, are used to let the horse know you are still on top of him in case he forgets. They are used harshly or moderately, depending on the horse or rider. They come in mighty handy at times when a cowboy will jam them under the horse's hindquarters to keep him from being thrown. Sometimes these spurs are silver mounted and "shine like a nigger's heel." Spurs like this cost a cowboy two weeks' wages.

In place of kilts a cowboy dons a pair of "chaps" or waist overalls, the bottoms of which he turns up about six inches so as to display the fancy-work on his boots, and so he won't be hampered by dragging pant-legs.

Those heavy, flapping, leather leggings which are buckled on the rider's legs are called "chaperones" or "chaps." They look awkward and are awkward, but are indispensable. Just the same. They act as armour to protect a "puncher's" (cowboy's) legs. They turn aside kicks and bites from onery horses and protect a man from being battered against the sides of the breaking corral (pen). In running stock through brush or thorny cactus these chaps protect a rider's skin. In case of rain or snow they keep him dry and warm. The long haired, woody things seen in the movies are mostly for decoration, but cowmen some-

times wear them on northern ranges for warmth in winter.

The Six-Shooter

At his waist a cowboy carries his "six gun," generally a Colt's, a single action revolver, calibre 38 or 45. The gun is slung in an open holster on a wide cartridge belt. It is carried at the hip this way so that it will be easy to get at, and because here it does not hinder a man at his work. There was a time when a six-shooter was carried for use on other people. It was a great equaliser of men, because a small man could draw it as fast as a large one. Cowboys don't use a six gun for homicidal purposes much any more, not because all the little men have been wiped out and not because all the big men are cowards, but because "John Law" is now the equaliser, not "Judge Colt."

We carry a gun nowadays for shooting crippled stock, for self-protection against mad bulls or onery steers, and for signalling to other riders. Don't believe all you see in the movies!

I haven't used my six-shooter on another man yet, and here's hoping I'll never have to.

Over his torso a cowpuncher drapes a heavy wool shirt, shoves the tails down into his chaps, and leaves the neck open. Sometimes the shirt is checked and fancy, if the wearer's taste runs that way.

A vest is generally worn over the shirt. It affords a pocket where "the makin's" (Bull Durham tobacco and papers) can be kept without getting mashed. A vest also furnishes added warmth without binding a man's movements and hindering his work. Some vests are made of calf skin with the hair left on, while others are studded with spots (rivets) and look mighty pretty.

Neckchiefs are Useful

That neckchief around a cowboy's neck isn't there for show. It comes in handy for number of things. The main service is keeping a rider from choking to death when following a trail-herd of cattle. A

big herd will kick up a huge cloud of yellow, suffocating dust, and it is impossible to breathe without some protection. In this case the neckchief is pulled up over nose and mouth of the rider and makes a crude but serviceable dust filter.

From this practice was evolved the use of the neckchief as a mask by west cowboys who weren't too scrupulous about how they got their money. In winter, when blizzards begin to howl over the ranges, the neckchief is wrapped around the head and ears and under the chin to serve as ear muffs. A neckchief has saved many a frost-bitten ear, and is a plumb useful article of the cowboy's attire.

Most folks know that the big hat or sombrero is typical of the cowboy, but they don't savvy why he wears it. Well, there's a reason for that too, a couple of reasons in fact.

Better than a Parasol

In desert or semi-desert country the sun beats down with terrific heat. Anyone who is out in this sun for long is not protected about the head and shoulders is in for a sunstroke.

A cowboy can't be running around with a parasol in his hand, so he wears one on his head in the form of a broad-brimmed hat. This hat sheds rain like a duck's back too, letting it run off the rear of the brim instead of down a rider's neck. That same broad brim has saved my eyes many a time when tearing through thick brush and pine needles after wild cattle. Plenty of riders have saved the lives of their horses, and consequently of themselves, by carrying water from some almost inaccessible desert spring to their dying mouths in these big hats. I've used mine for a pillow many a night, and other "punchers" do the same. Yep, a sombrero is not only a romantic-looking piece of headgear, but a mighty useful and necessary one, to a cowboy at any rate.

That about sizes up the every-day working clothes of the boys who herd the beef. Whether or not his outfit is plain or fancy depends on the wages a "puncher" is drawing. The average cowboy can't compete with the movie heroes. He wears the clothes he does not because these clothes appeal to the picture public, but because they aid him in his job.

Bob Fletcher

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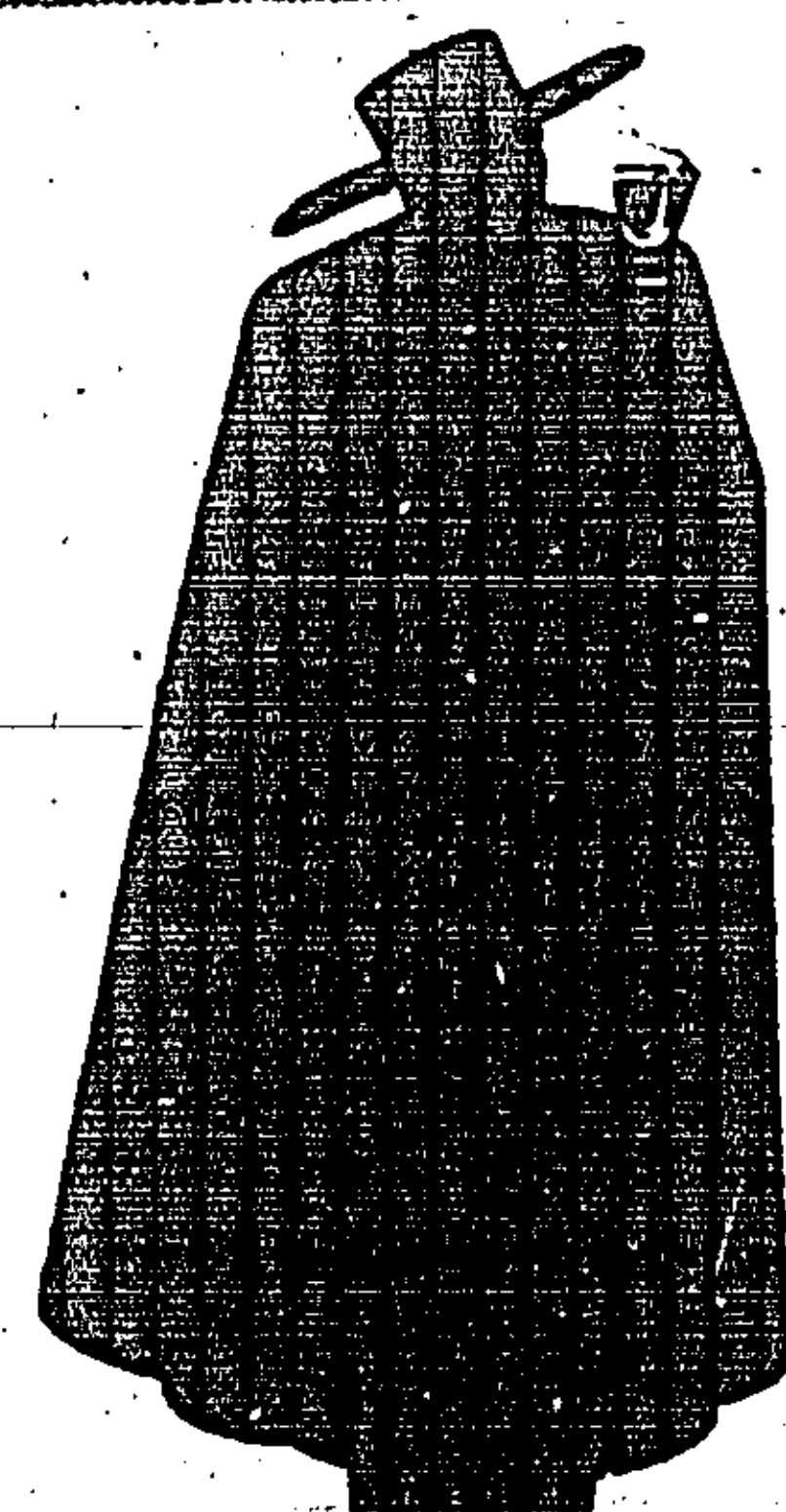
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EASY VICTORY OVER TAIKOO LAST EVENING

ST. ANDREW'S DEFEATED BY KOWLOON TONG

(By "Abe")

Club de Recreio "A" players again demonstrated their superiority in the Mixed Doubles Badminton League last night when, playing well within themselves, they defeated Taikoo by eight games to one. Due to the one-sidedness of the encounter, there was little good badminton and the game, on the whole, was a disappointment.

The only pair to drop a game were L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro, who were beaten by 21-19 by G. A. Smith and Miss R. Summers in the last round. With due respect to Smith and Miss Summers, both of whom admittedly were showing gradual improvement as the match progressed, the Portuguese pair lost because both of them had become careless as the result of the earlier successes of the team.

I was rather disappointed with the Taikoo players last night. When I saw them against the University in their opening match, they were badly beaten; but then they revealed promise of better things which have not been fulfilled. True enough, they have lost the services of C. Howard, probably their best man player, but they now have G. A. Smith who, even if he is not quite as good as Howard, is not far behind. Furthermore, Miss Fraser was not in the side at the time and she is back now.

What struck me most forcibly whilst watching the match was the fact that the Taikoo ladies did not seem to be trying enough. Sometimes they would deal faithfully with a bad shot from their opponents, but on the whole they were far too lethargic—a failing which is fatal at badminton. Even when their partners were palpably out of position, they made little or no attempt to cover up and this gave the Recreio players a decided advantage.

GREATEST OFFENDERS

The greatest offenders in this regard were Miss Summers and Miss Fraser, whose partners, Smith and Keown respectively, thus had a greater burden on their shoulders. Miss Cunningham was the only one of the three who attempted to give her partner backing, but unfortunately S. Newman was playing a poor game and the combination, therefore, was not as formidable as it might have been.

Until one sees the Recreio team against a stronger side, one finds little to say about the players. In M. A. Oliveira, J. J. Remedios and L. A. Carvalho, they have three of the best mixed doubles players in the Colony; and their ladies, Miss M. Silva, Miss O. Ribeiro and Miss M. Ribeiro, balance up the side very well indeed. The only two teams capable of extending them are University and the Free Lancers, but I doubt if either of these teams is capable of beating them. If the University ladies were a little better, however, I would not care to bet on the result. Well, we'll see!

SAINT'S LOSE NARROWLY

It was particularly unfortunate for St. Andrew's that just when

Important Match Postponed

The important tie between the Club de Recreio "A" and the Chinese, Y.M.C.A., scheduled to be played on Monday, has been postponed to Saturday, December 11, at 6.30 p.m. The game will be played at the Club de Recreio.

W. C. Choy and Mrs. Stokes had got into the team to strengthen it—this pair won all three games—E. F. Fincher and Miss F. Wong should fall so badly. Fincher and Miss Wong, who have been playing very well together of late, managed only one game against Kowloon Tong last night and were unable to pull the side through. Kowloon Tong pairings were just a wee bit better balanced than the Saints, and the team was thus able to win by the odd set.

Scores:

RECREIO "A" v. TAIKOO

Recreio "A" beat Taikoo eight-one in the mixed doubles of the Badminton League yesterday.

M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva (Recreio) beat G. A. Smith and Miss R. Summers 21-9; beat A. Keown and Miss M. Fraser 21-6; beat S. Newman and Miss Cunningham 21-9.

J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro beat Smith and Miss Summers 2-9; beat Keown and Miss Fraser 21-8; beat Newman and Miss Cunningham 21-11.

L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro lost to Smith and Miss Summers 21-14; beat Keown and Miss Fraser 21-14; beat Newman and Miss Cunningham 21-5.

K. TONG v. ST. ANDREW'S

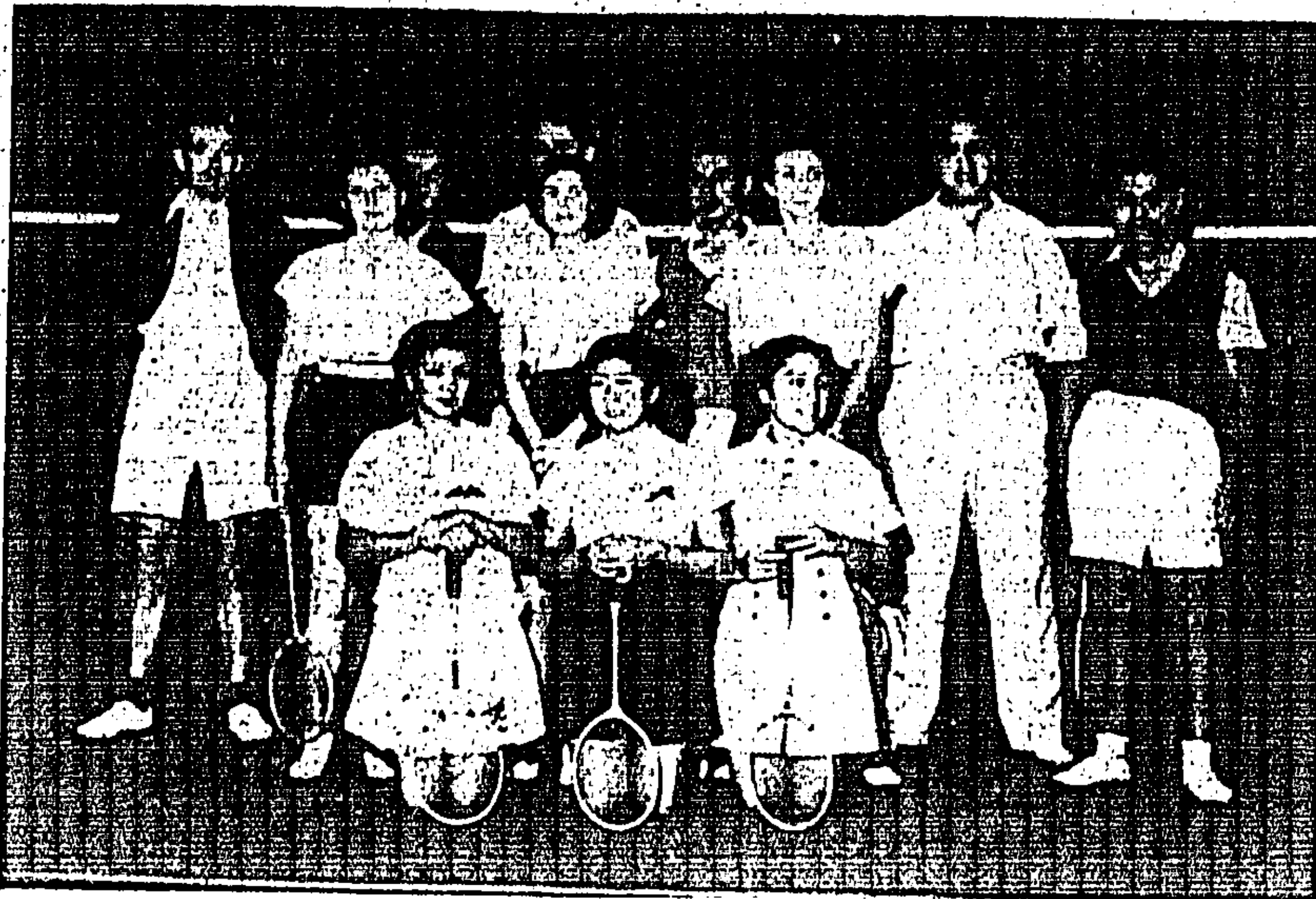
Kowloon Tong beat St. Andrew's 3-1. It. E. Lee and Miss M. Xavier (Kowloon Tong) beat F. V. Wong and Miss M. Churn 21-7; beat E. F. Fincher and Miss F. Wong 21-17; lost to W. C. Choy and Mrs. Stokes 7-21.

N. A. E. Mackay and Mrs. A. F. H. Castro beat Wong and Miss Churn 21-11; beat Fincher and Miss Wong 21-14; lost to Choy and Mrs. Stokes 11-21.

F. S. Koo and Mrs. A. W. do Rosa drew with Wong and Miss Churn 21-21; lost to Fincher and Miss Wong 14-21; lost to Choy and Mrs. Stokes 3-21.

LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.
Recreio "A"	2	2	0	0	17	1	4
Free Lancers	2	2	0	0	11	7	4
Kowloon Tong	3	2	1	0	17	10	4
University	1	1	0	0	9	0	2
St. Andrew's	3	1	2	0	9	18	2
Recreio "B"	1	0	1	0	4	5	0
Taikoo	4	0	4	0	5	31	0



Group photo taken of the players who participated last evening in the Mixed Doubles Badminton match between the Club de Recreio "A" and Taikoo at King's Park.

GERMAN TENNIS ACES IN MANILA

THRILL ENTHUSIASTS WITH FINE EXHIBITION

Manila, Nov. 30. Sizzling baseline drives, pretty chop strokes on the part of Henner Henkel, beautiful placements and other shots that are in the category of star tennis players, were plentiful at the Rizal Tennis Stadium last night when Baron Gottfried Von Cramm and Henner Henkel, international German net aces took the court against local luminaries.

Henkel opened the evening's gala tennis programme with a convincing victory over A. Sanchez, number two ranking Filipino player, by the score of 6-0. Von Cramm, world's number two ranking amateur player, downed number one L. Gavia by 6-3, 6-1.

In the doubles the German duo was pitted against the national champions Zamora and Dly. Zamora got off to an erratic start but brought out a bit of unorthodox play, which he evidently couldn't come to the conclusion that the national champions were up against two of the world's finest. The Germans sailed through the first set in easy fashion, 6-0, but in the second set the Filipinos tightened up and a fine exhibition was handed out, resulting in a 7-5 win for the visitors.

With the count 4-5 against them in the second and last set, Zamora dented the count at 5-all with a deuce backhand cross-court shot. Three net balls by the Filipino team in a row gave the Germans the advantage at 6-5.

Zamora served the final game. Von Cramm netted a return and Henkel drove one outside to make it 30-love. A fine backhand placement, deep to the baseline, made it 30-15. A hard return by Von Cramm was netted by Zamora and the count was 30-all and Von Cramm drove a hard drive at Zamora that the latter failed to return. Henkel's nice drive down the side-line ended the set.

SINGLES MATCH

The evening's finale was a scintillating exhibition by Von Cramm and Henkel in a one-set match, the former winning, 6-2, after taking the first five games in a row.

The evening was tennis de luxe. The hardest shots looked easy and the crowd saw plenty of court tactics as they liked it. Contrary to first reports, the German stars will be able to play again this evening, starting at 8.00 p.m. sharp. Their boat doesn't sail until midnight thus giving them time to make their second and last appearance. Fraulien Horn, German woman's champion, will also be seen in action for the first time against Philippine champion, Miss Mindu Ochoa.—Manila Bulletin.

Hollywood Not Wasting Any Time

Hollywood, Nov. 23. Captain George Eyston, the British automobile driver who, only a few days ago, broke the world speed record at Donoville Salt Flats, was to-day offered a leading role in a film dealing with racing by Warner Bros.

The man who only a few days ago travelled faster than any other on land was asked by Warner Bros. to take part in a film dealing with the progress of motor car racing. It was assumed that he would play the leading role and be featured in thrilling racing events breaking world records.—United Press.

SELECTIONS FOR RACES TO-DAY

Gladiator Tipped To Win

(By ("Captain Foster")

There are eight races in to-day's meeting and my selections are as follows:

"EWO" HANDICAP (UNOFFICIAL)

Mr. Butler's mount
Mr. Landale's mount
Mr. Hill's mount

AULD REEKIE HANDICAP

Gladiator
Oak Bay
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ST. ANDREW'S STAKES

Dawn Star
New Star
Rose-Queen

SAUGHTON HANDICAP

Strathroy
Lancashire Chips
Electron

DUMBIEDYKES HANDICAP FIRST SECTION

Laughing Girl
Sylvandale
Vithan

MURRAYFIELD HANDICAP

Australian Boy
Axtex
Kalinka

DUNSAPPIE HANDICAP

Araxy
Whaleys
National Anthem

DUMBIEDYKES HANDICAP SECOND SECTION

Coronation Day
Good Morning
Valorous

DAILY DOUBLE EVENT

Laughing Girl/Araxy

"EWO" HANDICAP

The following entries, jockeys and handicaps for the "Ewo" Handicap race to-day have been announced:

Air Mail (R. W. Bateman), 150 yards; Defensive War (G. Hill), 200 yards; Donovan (G. H. Gompertz), 100 yards; Emergency Call (E. O. Butler), 50 yards; Morning Tip (H. F. Hopkins), 200 yards; National Faith (E. A. Gaudert), 150 yards; National Spirit (F. Nicholls), scratch; Ocean View (D. F. Landale), 100 yards.

RUGBY TOURNEY

The annual Triangular Rugby Tournament will start this afternoon with a match between the Navy and the Army at Sookunpoo, commencing at 4 p.m. At 2.45 p.m. the Club "A" XV will play an Army "A" XV.

EXHIBITION SOCCER THIS AFTERNOON

ROYAL ULSTER RIFLES PLAY REST OF THE COLONY

(By "Abe")

First Division League Football will have to take a back seat this week-end. Actually not a single game has been arranged in this section; but local enthusiasts should not be disappointed as an exhibition match has been arranged for this afternoon between the Royal Ulster Rifles, champions of last season, and the Rest of the Colony.

The Ulsters have only just returned to Hongkong from Shanghai and will be leaving again on December 6. They were quite successful during their short stay in the northern city, and if they have not lost the form which carried them to the championship during the 1936-37 season, a very good game should be seen to-day. The match will be played on the Navy ground, Causeway Bay, at 3.45 p.m.

A strong team has been selected to represent the "Rest." Pile, the back, will captain the team and according to the original selections will have Costa as his partner at left back. I understand, however, that the lanky St. Joseph's player has not quite got over a recent injury, and it is possible that A. J. Hussain, another Saints' defender, will be brought into the side. If this is so, I suggest that Hussain be given the right back berth and that Pile should go left. This would be fairer to both, these are the two players' normal positions, anyway. I have been particularly pleased to see Pile given recognition. I was one of the first to point out that Chris had lost his form; now I would like to be one of the first to say that he has got over his bad patch.

S. CHINA "B" HALVES
The half-back line is all South China "B," Leung In-chun, Lim Tak-po and Chin Kam-hung. The unbeaten record of their team has been attributed to the fine performances of these three, and I am sure they will not be found wanting to-day.

If any doubts exist, they are in the forwards, who will be playing together for the first time. Coakley, McGulgan, Howells, Howlett and Hau Ching-cho. Individually are five of the best footballers in the Colony at the present time, but how they will combine together as a unit is the question. The selectors have been brave enough to put Howells of the R.A.M.C., a Third Division team, in the centre forward berth. As everyone connected with local soccer knows, Howells is definitely not a Third Division player, judging by local standards; but it is a bit of an experiment if placing him among people with whom he has seldom ever played before.

KOTEWALL CUP
To-morrow on the same ground, South China A.A. will meet the Army in the Kotewall Cup. The Chinese have selected a very strong eleven for this encounter and seem to be determined to beat the military side.

With Rowlands in the Army goal, it is fairly certain that the Chinese will not score many goals unless the defence completely cracks up. After seeing Webster and Sheehan as a combination, I personally do not feel too safe about them. They do not seem to cover each other very well, and they leave too much of a gap

LADIES' TENNIS TITLES

Semi-Final Ties This Week-End

The semi-finals of the ladies' tennis championships of the Colony, organised by the United Services R.C., will be decided over the week-end. This afternoon the doubles will be played, commencing at 3 p.m. Miss Rose Perry and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu, the holders, clash with Mrs. Rice-Evans and Miss Griffiths, and a very good game should result. In the other match, Mrs. Holmes and Miss Taylor will play Mrs. Stokes and Mrs. Shirley. The semi-finals of the singles will be decided to-morrow afternoon, starting at 3 p.m. Miss Perry meets Mrs. Cover and Mrs. Chiu will play Miss Griffiths.



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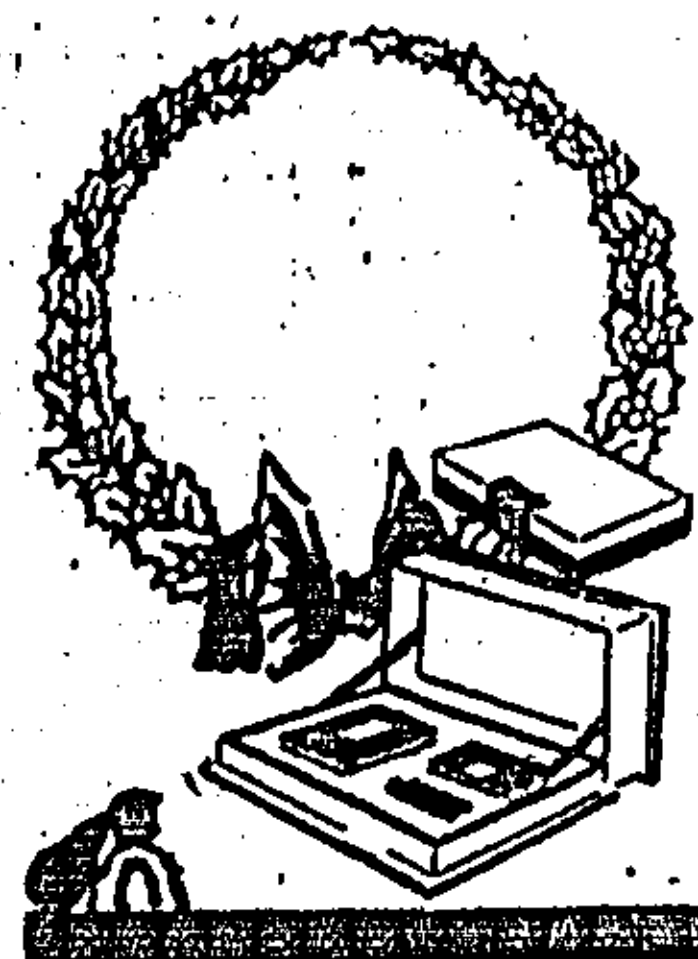


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MUCH ADO ABOUT A TACKLE

By CHARLES RUCHAN

It seems that when I brought up the subject of the sliding tackle, I raised a storm about my head. I am glad of this because it has done one thing; it has brought the matter to the notice of the authorities. Something will have to be done sooner or later and the more the subject is mentioned, the quicker it will be dealt with.

Many opinions have been asked and many arguments raised about the sliding tackle, but nearly all deal with it in the category of rough play. It is nothing of the sort. The tackle is legitimate provided the player intends to play the ball. It is not because it is rough or unfair that the sliding tackle should be abolished, but because it slows up the game, destroys combination by making players port hurriedly with the ball, and, most important of all, is the cause of many injuries.

It can be done quite easily by a revision of the laws, now 60 years old and quite out of date. Last summer there was a proposal to rewrite the laws in simpler and plainer language, and it will be done soon. That is not enough. They will have to be remodelled and brought in line with present-day methods.

Not one of the present 17 laws is clear-cut or decisive. There is no plain definition of obstruction, tackling or charging. Even the laws relating to off-side, fouling and handling the ball are not definite. They all place the onus of deciding whether an offence has been committed on the poor referee.

When the F.A. do make up their minds to overhaul the laws I am convinced we shall see a big improvement in both the standard of play and refereeing. Then that harassed official will go on the field not as a mind-reader, but as one who knows exactly what he has to do.

During the past few weeks I have spoken to several club managers and one topic of conversation has been the player motor-car owner. Many of the managers feel strongly that no player on contract with a club should be allowed to drive a car; some of them have gone so far as to forbid their players to drive. Soon there will be a big face-up. The injuries received by Ellis Rimmer, the Sheffield Wednesday outside-left, a few days ago has brought matters to a head.

There are two sides to every question. As a player, I can sympathise with the players who feel they are being treated differently from other people and are being interfered with unduly. But I can also see the club's point of view. Is it right they should be subject to the risk of having one of the star players—perhaps one for whom they have paid several thousands pounds—put out of action by some means outside the game? Remember, they would have to pay the injured player's wages according to his contract.

NEXT WEEK'S FIXTURES

Badminton League

The following are the Badminton League fixtures for the coming week:

MONDAY			
"A" Division			
King's College	v. St. Andrew's	University "B"	v. University "A"
"B" Division			
St. Andrew's	v. Chinese R.C.		
Mixed Doubles			
Kowloon Tong	v. University		
WEDNESDAY			
"B" Division			
Kowloon Tong	v. Free Lances		
FRIDAY			
Mixed Doubles			
St. Andrew's	v. Free Lances		
Kowloon Tong	v. Recreation "B"		
Recreation "A"	v. University		

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THIS PSYCHOLOGY IDEA IN FOOTBALL Where It Would Be A Help

By Arbitrator (Frank M. Carruthers)

Clubs, it is said, are now practising the science of psychology, but I am not sure what is meant by this. Neither are they. It may be that it is more than a study of temperament, and this has been described simply as common sense.

If the players are to be regarded with more human sympathy and an attempt made to understand more fully their reactions to the disappointments of the game and the life within it, it will be for the general good.

One golden rule may be laid down. The better the player the more susceptible he is to disturbing influences. The higher he has climbed the more damaging to his morale is a fall.

Try to imagine the feelings of the players as they were dressing after the recent match at Blackpool against the Irish League. They knew that the selectors were then choosing the sides for the trial. Would they be picked? The experienced player does not deceive himself. He knows whether he has played well or poorly and yet so conflicting are the views of those who sit in judgment that he can never be sure of the verdict.

Felt His Position

Then came the teams. Imagine against the feelings of those who had been left out. There was one who obviously felt his position acutely. "Don't worry," I told him. "Everyone else thinks you played well."

His face lit up. "It's kind of you to tell me that," he said. I even assured him that he was sure to play against Ireland, and he is bound now to think that I had some secret information, whereas I realised that a strong influence would be required to persuade the selectors to change their estimate of his value to the side.

Much the same thing happened after the trial match on the Everton ground. One of the players chosen to go to Belfast to-night said to me when he heard he had been picked, "My fairy godmother must have been watching over me to-day." He left no doubt that in his view he had been extremely fortunate.

Should Be Told

It would save a deal of heartburning if it could be explained to a man why he had been omitted from a national team. No established player should be dropped out of his club side without being told why, and the blow should be softened before the list is posted in the dressing-room. He would then not be left to slink away convinced that all the forces of a harsh world were unfairly arrayed against him.

The dropping of a player is lightly told as if it were of small moment, but there has never been one with ambition who has not felt humbled and aggrieved when he has been left out, unless he realises that his form has gone and that a rest will help him to recover it. Always, however, it is essential that there should be frankness on the part of those who have to make the decision.

Players feel the reflection of being dropped more to-day than ever before, owing to the publicity and increased interest taken in them. They never enjoy any privacy.

BASKETBALL LEAGUE

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The Hongkong Schools Basketball League, run by the Hongkong Basketball Association, has been won by the Hongkong University with 16 points. They have won eight encounters, and lost once. Wah Nam College and St. Joseph's College are second with 14 points each.

In the Junior Division of the same league St. Paul's College are first without being beaten; while Wah Yan College "A" team is second, with one defeat.

On Monday, December 6, the champion team of the First Division will play an exhibition match against the rest of the Schools, after which Mr. David Au, the President of the Chinese Y.M.C.A., will distribute the prizes to the two champion teams, at 4.30 p.m., at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. gymnasium.

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Hongkong University	8	1	16
Wah Nam College	7	2	14
St. Joseph's College	7	2	14
St. Paul's College	6	3	12
Wah Tai College	6	4	10
Fong Lam College	4	5	8
Wah Yan College	3	6	6
King's College	3	6	6
Sai Nam College	2	7	4
Chung Nam College	0	9	0
Junior Division			
	W.	L.	Pts.
St. Paul's College	5	0	10
Wah Yan College (A)	4	1	8
Sai Nam College	3	2	6
King's College	2	3	4
Wah Yan College (B)	1	4	2
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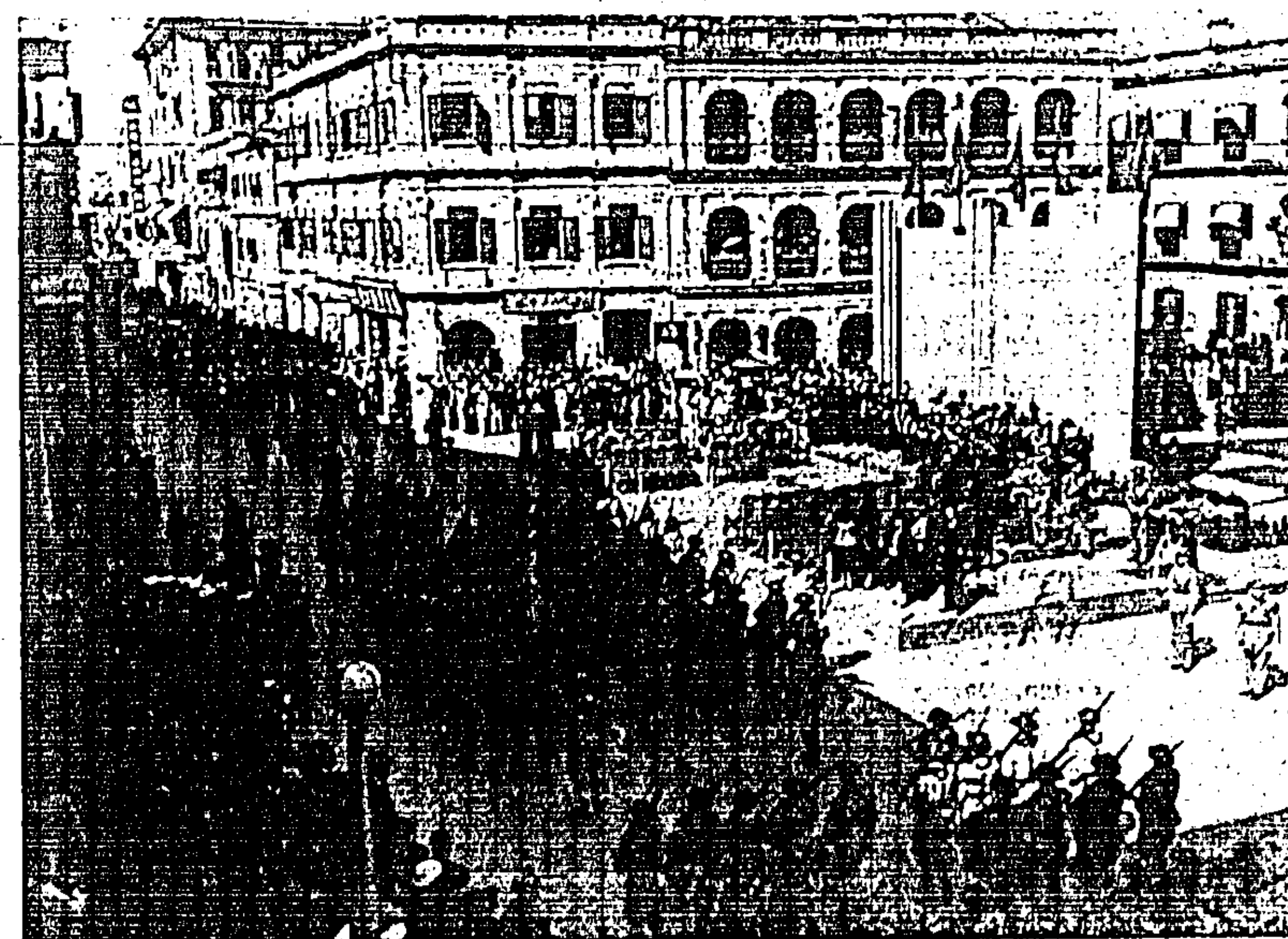
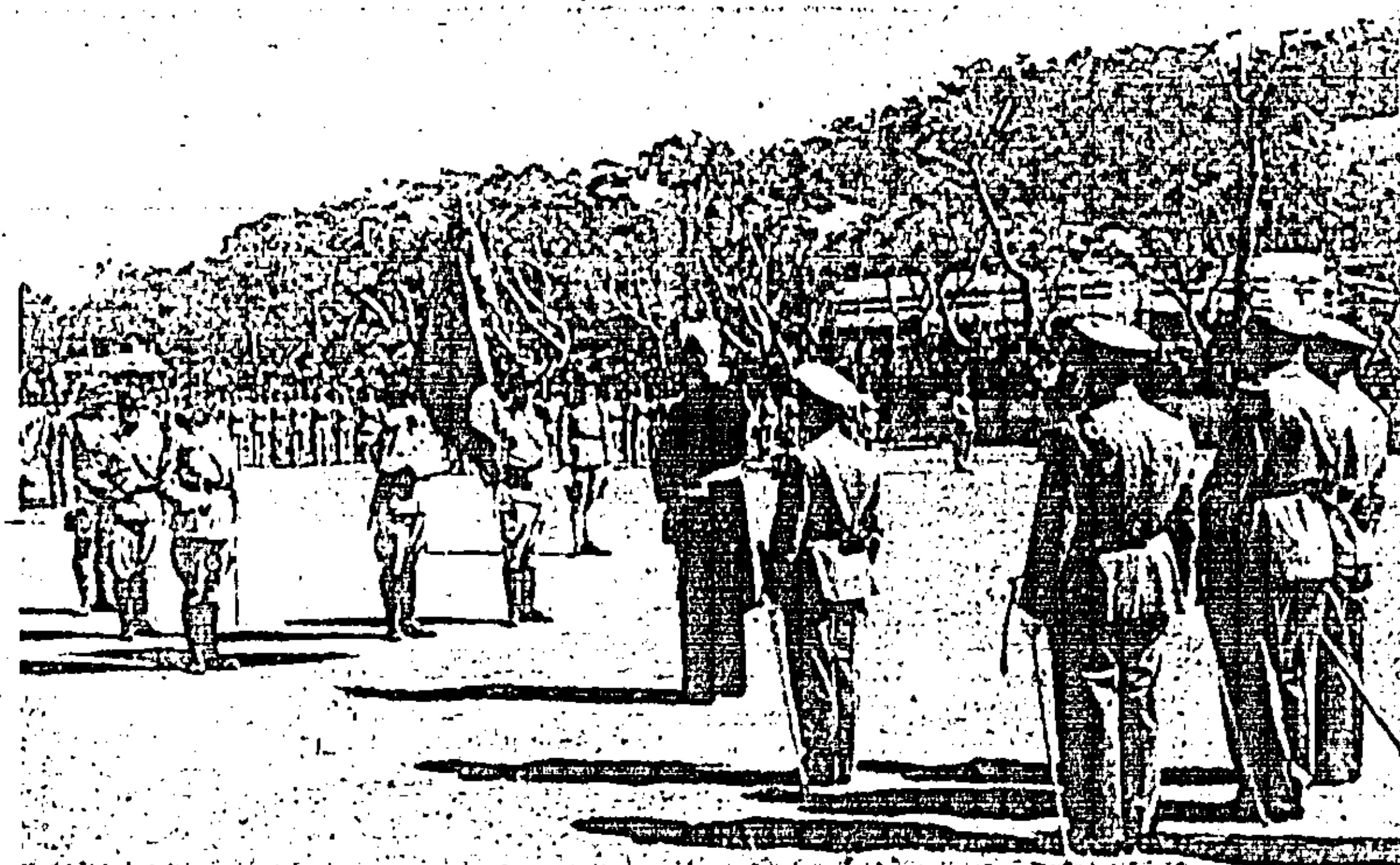
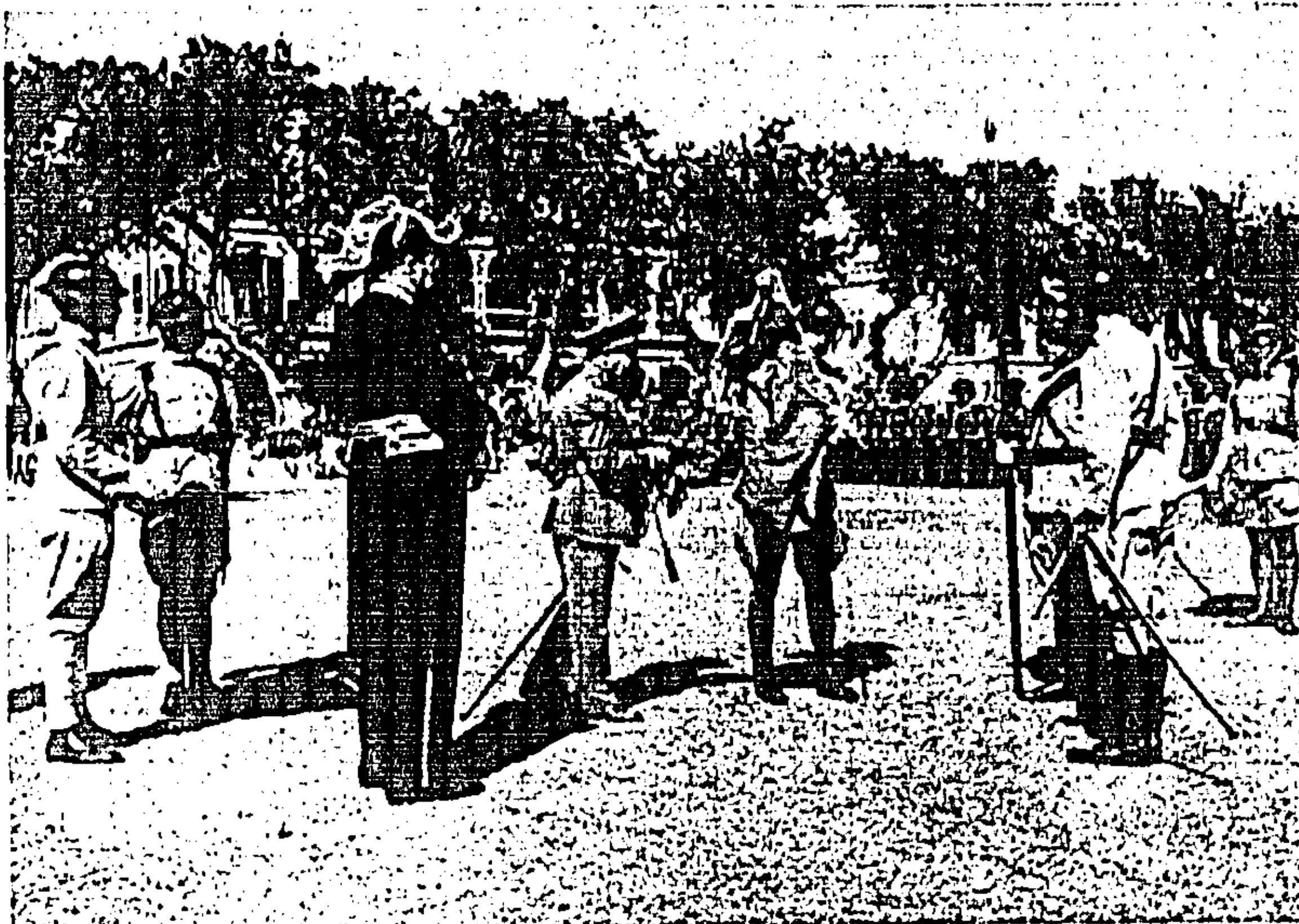
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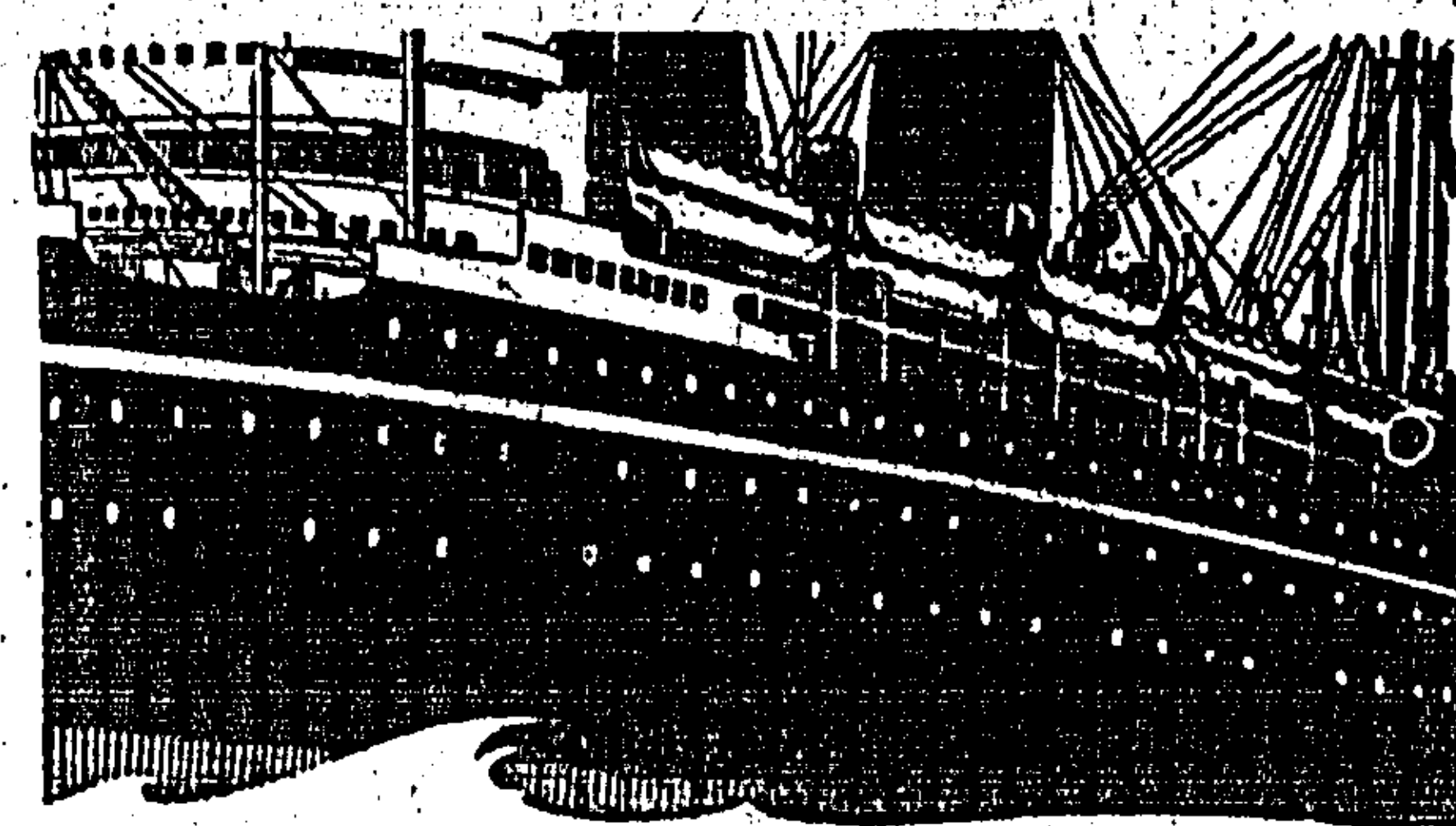
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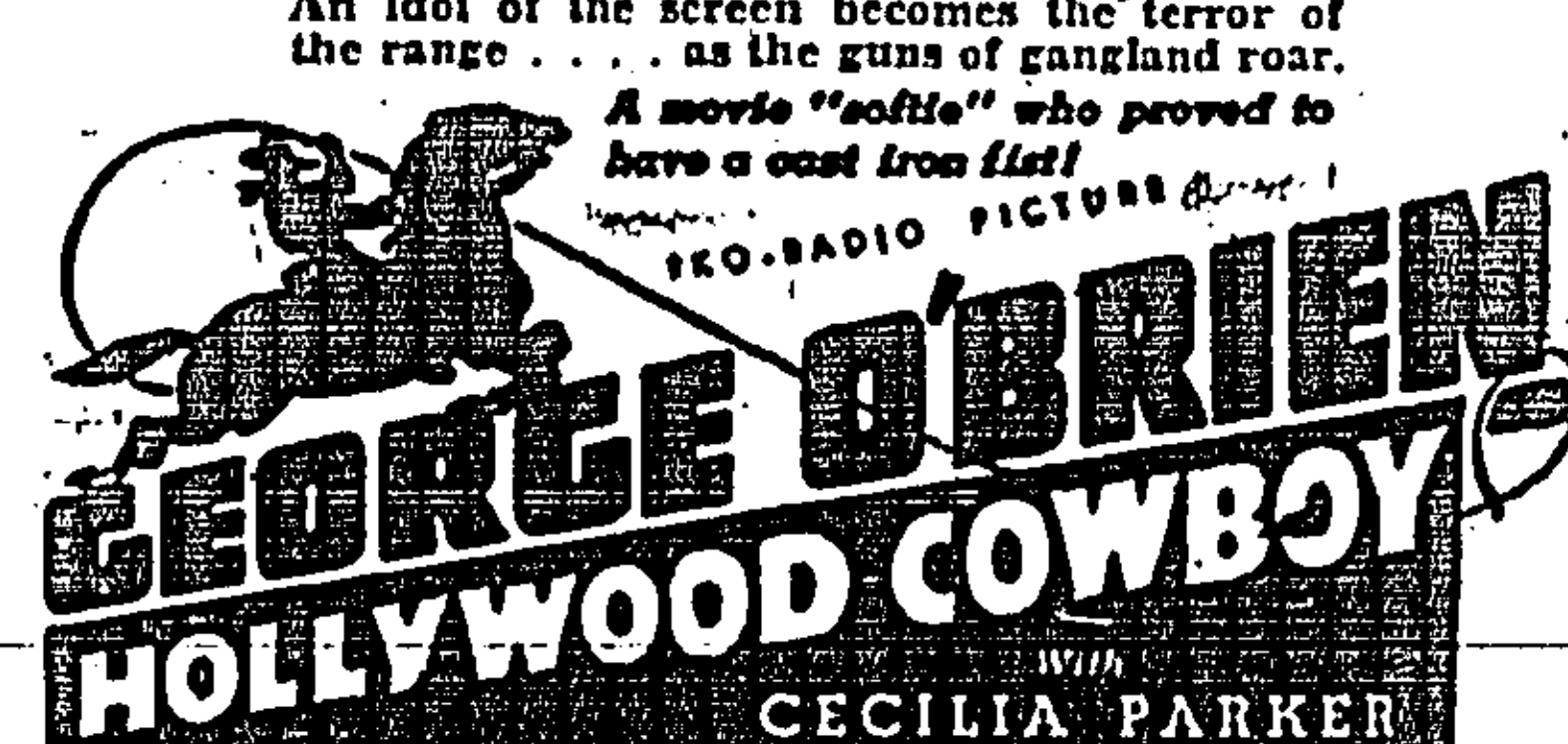
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HAZARDOUS TRIP FROM HANKOW

London, Dec. 3.
The British Embassy in China is being moved to Shanghai for the time being and the Charge d'Affaires, Mr. R. G. Howe and the Embassy party to-day left Hankow for Hongkong. Mr. B. E. F. Gage is remaining to maintain contact with the Chinese Foreign Office.

The party left Wuchang which is opposite Hankow by train this morning. Special accommodation has been attached to this train for the party which consists of six men and five women. On the roofs of the coaches a Union Jack has been painted. Before departure notification was made to the Japanese authorities who have given assurance that every care will be taken to safeguard the train. A party from the French Consulate are also travelling by the same train. The first part of the journey will take about two days, and the remainder from Hongkong to Shanghai will be made by a sea voyage occupying several days.—British Wireless.

Anxious For Contacts In Australia

London, Dec. 3.
In a speech at Newport, Monmouth, to-night, the Lord Privy Seal referred to his forthcoming visit to Australia for the 150th anniversary celebrations. He said he looked forward to taking part in the celebrations but even more to meeting statesmen, traders and industrialists of that great country. Perhaps he would be pardoned for saying that most of all he looked forward to meeting the farmers of Australia born and bred like himself in the countryside. Lord De La Warr continued: "We in this country have seen a great deal of Australian statesmen in the last few years. Their visits have not only enhanced the reputation of their country but have increased our understanding of them and their problems. With British peoples it is not laws and constitutions that count. It is the understanding that exists between nations, between classes, and between individuals that really counts with us. If I am able to contribute to the mutual understanding that already exists between our two British peoples I shall feel my visit to have been worth while."—British Wireless.

LUDENDORFF STILL GRAVELY ILL

Munich, Dec. 3.
No change is reported in General Erich Ludendorff's condition, but the chances of his recovery are slight. He is bearing his illness stoically, and remarked to one of his doctors: "I have been through so much that nothing can frighten me now."—Reuter.

MOSLEMS MARK END OF FAST

Moslems throughout the Colony will celebrate to-morrow "Id-ul-Fitr," which marks the end of Ramadan (fasting month). A service will be held at the Mosque, Shelley Street, commencing at 9.15 a.m.

HOMESIDE TYPHOID EPIDEMIC WANES

London, Dec. 3.
The total deaths from the epidemic of typhoid at Croydon which is now regarded as having passed the point of maximum severity, was increased by one to-day, to fourteen.—British Wireless.

PEACE PLAN SEEMS DOOMED TO FAILURE

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They will reach their destination.—Reuter.

Asked To Join Anti-Red Pact

Shanghai, Dec. 3.
Well informed circles in Shanghai believe that the mediation efforts of the German Ambassador, Dr. Oscar Trautmann, in Nanking, are based on Chinese adherence to the anti-Commintern Pact, implying that additional Japanese advisers will be employed throughout the Chinese army and a joint Sino-Japanese drive on Russia in the event of a Russo-Japanese war.

The Japanese are expected to ask for the most thorough co-operation from the Chinese in other fields, in which event the Japanese may possibly abandon thoughts of an autonomous regime in North China. It is expected that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek will make a counter-proposal.—United Press.

Japan's Conditions

Hankow, Dec. 3.
Negotiations which may decide the present Sino-Japanese conflict are proceeding at Kuling, where the German Ambassador, Dr. Trautmann, is reported to be trying to convince Marshal Chiang Kai-shek to agree to the Japanese peace conditions.

Sources close to the German Embassy report that the conditions include the following:

1. A semi-autonomous regime in North China with a Chinese administration and Japanese advisers;
2. A large Japanese concession in Shanghai;
3. Revision of the Customs tariff.

These demands are obviously incomplete since they do not contain any reference to the Chinese military establishments or the political composition of the Chinese Government. Reports are that China will also be required to join the anti-Commintern pact; but reports that Japan will agree to withdraw her troops from China in exchange for China's adherence to this pact are generally ridiculed.

The centre of the negotiations, it is believed, is Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, who thus far is firmly determined to continue the war despite the urgings of the Chinese conciliatory groups including Mr. Wang Ching-wi (Chairman of the Nanking Central Political Council).

The negotiations are opposed by the various patriotic groups, public opinion and the Soviets who are urging Marshal Chiang Kai-shek to continue the war to the bitter end.—United Press.

STOP PRESS NEWS

WARNING NOTE IN JAPANESE STORY OF H.K.

Tokyo, Dec. 4.
If Hongkong is used by the Chinese leaders as a base for anti-Japanese operations "a fresh question" might arise, says Domei New Agency, semi-official organ of Japan to-day.

The War Minister, General Sugiyama, reported to the Cabinet to-day that 50 Soviet aeroplanes have already arrived in China, including 20 at Canton and 20 at Nanking. The other ten are at Hankow, according to reliable information, the Minister said.—Reuter.

Reuter's Canton correspondent states that the authorities there categorically deny that any Soviet planes have been received.

SZE-AN RECAPTURED

Shanghai, Dec. 4.
Sze-An is reported to have been recaptured after one of the most furious engagements since the opening of hostilities.

Meanwhile Chinese troops have withdrawn from Kiangyin Forts after defending the stronghold against sustained Japanese naval and aerial bombardments and infantry attacks for days.

The men, commanded by General Oong Chao-yuan, withdrew in orderly fashion after the defenses had been shattered by a Japanese bombardment, according to Chinese reports.—Reuter.

KIANGYIN FORTS FALL AND TANYANG EVACUATED

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counter-offensive on Thursday, military advice from the front state. It is added that only a small Japanese garrison was stationed in the town and hurriedly withdrew following the arrival of the Chinese vanguards. The handful of Japanese plainclothes men was driven out shortly after the main forces entered the town.—Central News.

Japanese Planes Scout Over Chekiang

Hanchow, Dec. 4.
Japanese pursuit planes and bombers are continuing to scout over various districts in Chekiang presumably trying to locate the exact positions of the Chinese forces. A fleet of six Japanese machines was sighted over Wenling, Haimen, Ninghai, Ningpo, and Hangzhou yesterday but after a brief reconnaissance the machines disappeared towards the north-east without dropping any bombs.—Central News.

PRINCE NOW RECOVERING

The Hague, Dec. 3.
Prince Bernhard, husband of Princess Juliana of the Netherlands, is now well on the way to recovery after his recent motor accident. A bulletin states that stitches were removed from the wound to his head without complications.—Reuter.

SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with the Hongkong radio station.—Yuen-sang, Hilda Moller, Weichin, Benwyvis, Tunda, Bhutan, Himsang, St. Vincent de Paul, Peichin, Gneisenau, President Polk, President Pierce, and Empress of Japan.

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Berlin's Denial

Berlin, Dec. 3.
It is said that Dr. Trautmann's arrival in Nanking is not connected with German intentions to undertake mediation for peace in the Orient.—United Press.

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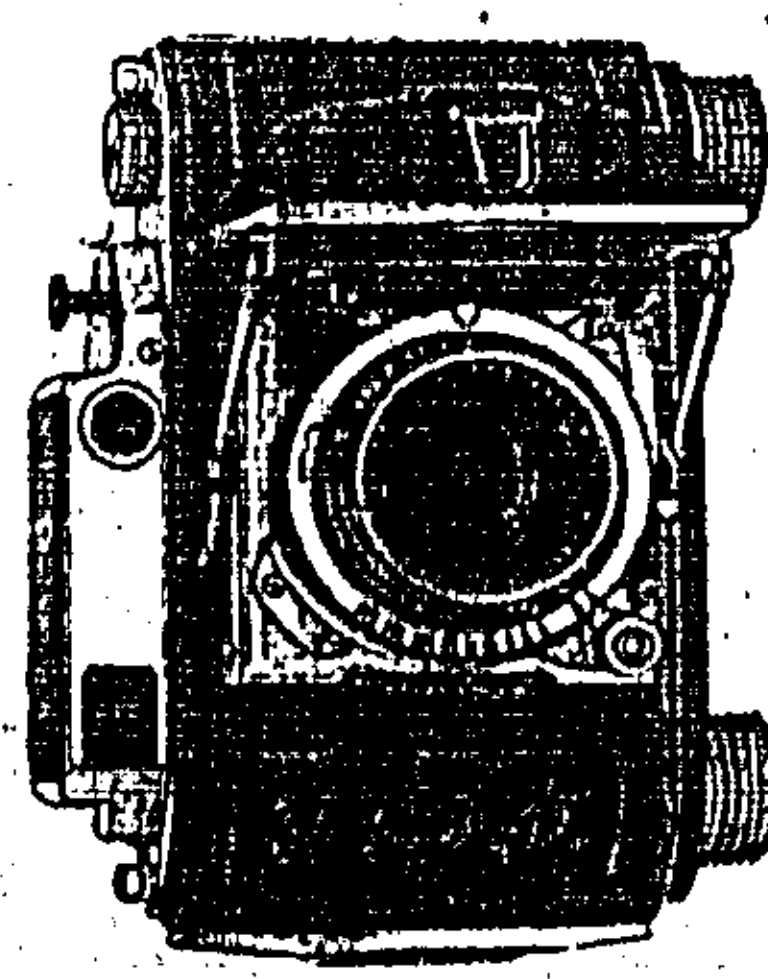
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PEACE PLAN SEEMS DOOMED TO FAILURE

CHINA STILL DETERMINED TO RESIST

German Effort Aimed At Preserving Japan Strength, S'hai Says

Shanghai, Dec. 4.

It is confirmed in German and Italian Embassy circles that Dr. Oscar Trautmann, German Ambassador to China, is at present having conversations with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

Diplomatic circles in Shanghai are ignorant of details, but it is believed that the initiative for talks on peace terms did not come from the Japanese. It is further believed that in any case they are too late, owing to the Japanese military successes.

Well-informed circles here are of the opinion that Germany is anxious Japan should not penetrate deeper into China and expend effort and material which otherwise might be available against the Soviet.

It is understood that some Japanese circles are anxious to keep Chiang Kai-shek in power, as he is the only man capable of maintaining authority and preventing chaos in the Yangtze valley.

Nevertheless the general opinion is that the proposals emanating from Kuling cannot possibly succeed, as it is regarded as inconceivable that at this juncture the Japanese army would withdraw from North China. It is considered certain that a large Japanese garrison will be maintained in central China for an indefinite period.—Reuter.

Offers To Mediate

Hankow, Dec. 4.

It is learned from official Chinese sources that Dr. Oscar Trautmann, the German Ambassador, has not made any peace proposals to the Chinese Government, but has merely communicated Berlin's offer of mediation for the cessation of the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

It is too early for any counter-proposals to be made by China.

China's stand in the present conflict is known the world over and was clearly outlined in Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's speech at Kuling last July. That position has not changed since.

China is not considering any peace plan affecting her territorial and administrative integrity. News is lacking as to the precise conditions of peace terms, but the general impression is that they may be of such a nature as to be unacceptable to China.

Integrity Must Not Be Touched

Unless Japan respects China's territorial and administrative integrity, China is unchanging in her determination to resist Japanese invasion.

Chinese leaders said while appreciating the German offer they were sceptical of its success. China is fighting a war of defence, therefore she appreciates any peace efforts, irrespective of the quarters from which they originate. China appreciated the Brussels efforts to terminate hostilities, and so equally she appreciates the present German efforts. It is another question whether such efforts will meet with success.

It is learned that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is at Kuling and not Nanking.—United Press.

Peace Propaganda

Peiping, Dec. 4.

The Japanese newspapers here are "splashing" an urgent appeal to the Chinese and foreign citizens to ask for peace, urging everyone to shelve advice on the Chinese Government, now in Chungking, to make peace.

Assurances are given that if telegrams to this effect are handed in (Continued on Page 12.)

Kiangyin Forts Fall and Tanyang Evacuated

THIS GUN STOPPED TANKS



This new anti-tank gun, hidden in a narrow alleyway is one of the reasons Japanese forces took two months to break into Chapei. Fiercest fighting of the Shanghai campaign occurred here. Shells, in foreground, are being taken to the gun, in background. Guns such as this stopped more than one tank in action.

STOP PRESS

FRENCH REFUSE PASSAGE

Shanghai, Dec. 4.

A tense situation has developed on the Bund at the corner of Avenue Edward VII, on the border of the International Settlement and French Concession.

Four lorries loaded with supplies and guarded by Japanese troops attempted to enter the French Bund, but French armoured cars, troops and armed police formed up in a solid line to prevent entry.

Streets in the vicinity are now being cleared.

Japanese officers are holding parley with French military and police officers. Meanwhile more French police and troops are being rushed to the scene.

The entry to the French Bund is now blocked by lorries, buses and other vehicles.—Reuter.

Pilot Killed In Crash At Munich

Munich, Dec. 3.

A heavily laden German mail plane crashed at the chemical works here when starting on a flight to Baghdad.

The pilot was killed instantly, and the second pilot and wireless operator seriously injured. Two other members of the crew were slightly injured.—Reuter.

Anglo-U.S. Trade Pact Attacked

Article Attributed To Mussolini

Rome, Dec. 4.

The Italian newspaper, *Giornale d'Italia*, in an attack on Britain, suggests that the Anglo-American trade agreement is a stranglehold on the less fortunate countries which do not possess colonial territories with raw materials.

The article is believed to have been written by Signor Benito Mussolini.—Reuter.

SETTLEMENT REACHED

Shanghai, Dec. 4.

After the French had held up the Japanese lorries on the Bund for more than an hour, they agreed to allow their passage through the French Concession under French armed escort. French police then mounted the lorries and took them through, the armoured cars moving aside to let them pass.—Reuter.

TWO JAPANESE RAIDERS DOWN

Nanking, Dec. 4.

The capital experienced its 111th air raid yesterday. Chinese pursuit planes took off, but the three raiders eluded them and bombed the road near the golf course.

The air fighting was invisible from the city but it was announced that two Japanese planes had been shot down and there were no Chinese casualties.

Chinese reports state that four Japanese planes and one Chinese fighter were shot down around Nanking during aerial combats on Thursday, when two attempts to raid the city were made. One Japanese machine fell during the first raid at 11.30 a.m. when an unknown number of machines bombed the vicinity of (Further Stop Press News on Page 12.)

R.A.F. BOATS AT MALTA

London, Dec. 4.

The Royal Air Force flying boats which left Plymouth yesterday morning on the start of their long flight to Australia for the New South Wales anniversary celebrations, have arrived at Malta, via Marseilles.

The machines will remain at Malta for attention before resuming the flight later in the day.—Reuter.

BRAZIL FASCISTS DISBANDED

Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 3.

President Vargas, head of the new Brazilian Government, has issued a decree dissolving all Brazilian political parties, including the Integralist or Fascist Party.—Reuter.

Soviet Asks Explanation

Moscow, Dec. 3.

The Soviet Minister at Warsaw has protested to the Polish Government against a railway incident on the border of Russia and Poland.

It is alleged that Russian railway employees were searched by the Polish authorities at the border while the Polish railway authorities forced the engine driver to drive the Soviet train back into Russian territory when it caught fire in Polish territory.

It is further alleged that Soviet officials, investigating the incidents, were placed under an escort.—Reuter.

Polish Government Hears Protest

Warsaw, Dec. 3.

We are asked to point out that the annual dinner of the Equine Sports Club will be held to-night at 8 p.m. at the Peninsula Hotel, and not at the Hongkong Hotel as indicated this morning.

BRIDGES BLOWN UP TO HAMPER ENEMY ADVANCE

New Defence Line Ready South of Chinkiang

JAPANESE CHECKED ON OTHER FRONTS

Nanking, Dec. 4.

With the fall of the Kiangyin forts the Chinese forces on the Nanking-Shanghai Railway withdrew from Tanyang to Chinkiang yesterday morning, it is officially announced here.

A rearguard action was fought by one division of Chinese troops at Tanyang to cover the withdrawal and meanwhile all bridges on the highway between Chinkiang and Tanyang were destroyed to impede the Japanese advance.

New defence works have been completed by the Chinese forces south-east of Chinkiang where heavy fighting is anticipated.

The Japanese central column is still being checked at Liyang, whilst the attempt of their right wing to push toward Wuhu in order to cut Chinese communications between Nanking and Hankow has been frustrated by the Chinese recapture of Kwangteh and Ssuanchen on the Anhwei border.—Central News.

SIXTEEN HOLIDAYS FOR H.K.

Complete List Published

Sixteen Bank Holidays and general holidays will be observed in Hongkong during 1938 according to an announcement in to-day's *Government Gazette*, which, among other things fixes Monday and Tuesday, January 31 and February 1 as Chinese New Year holidays, and Saturday, January 1 as a public holiday for the Gregorian New Year.

The following is the complete list of official public holidays announced by Government for 1938:

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Empire Day, Tuesday, May 24.

GENERAL HOLIDAYS

The first week-day in January Saturday, January 1; Chinese New Year's Day, Monday, January 31, and Tuesday, February 1; Good Friday April 15; Saturday, April 16, and Monday, April 18; White Monday June 6; The Birthday of His Majesty the King Thursday, June 9; The first week-day in July, July 1; The first Monday in August Monday, August 1; The first Monday in September Monday, September 5; The tenth day of October Monday, October 10; Armistice Day, Friday, November 11; Christmas Day, or if that day should be a Sunday, then the following day Monday, December 26; The twenty-sixth day of December, or if Christmas Day should be a Sunday, then the Tuesday following Christmas Day Tuesday, December 27.

It is notified that His Excellency the Governor has excluded the Moslems from the operation of the Holidays Ordinance, 1912, Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, on January 1, February 1, and April 10 and 18; June 6, and August 1, September 5, October 10, and December 26.

The Imports and Exports Department will be open for the purpose of Revenue collection and issue of permits only from 9 a.m. to 12 Noon on all the above days except Sunday, Chinese New Year's Day, Good Friday, October 10, and Christmas Day.

Formidable Force

Shanghai, Dec. 4.

A formidable army of Kiangsu, Chekiang and Anhwei troops which recently massed to halt the Japanese drive against Nanking is firmly holding the defence line from a point west of Tanyang to Kwanich, according to Chinese reports.

Although fighting is reported to be raging close to Tanyang, Chinese circles claim that some of the best fighting units in the Chinese army which is placed in position around that sector are checking the Japanese drive against the town.

On the southern flank are Szechuanese troops which are reported to have recaptured Kwangteh and Sze-An after a bloody battle. Japanese positions in an attempt to recapture Changshin, strategic Chekiang city.—Reuter.

Chinese Recapture Chungteh

Hanchow, Dec. 4.

The Chinese right flank operating on the northern route has recaptured Chungteh, 30 miles north-east of Hanchow, following a surprise (Continued on Page 12.)

DARKY CHEN KILLED ON AIR RAID

Shanghai, Dec. 4.

"Darky" Chen, famous Chinese footballer, has plunged to his death in a blazing plane, spectacular as always in the last heroic and dramatic act of his life.

Raiding Japanese warships on November 24, Chen daringly powered down on his target and an anti-aircraft shell smashed his machine.

He was reputed to be one of the greatest half backs in China and had played for Shanghai many times against Hongkong and Canton. He was a very popular player.

Formerly with the Canton air force, Chen resigned his commission to play football, but when war broke out immediately re-enlisted.—Reuter.

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Chapped Hands

Every winter I provide my two schoolgirl daughters with warm gloves, and they never seem to wear them, in spite of all my protests. The result is that their hands get so chapped that they crack.

WELL, you know what schoolgirls are! Try to make them dry their hands properly after washing, and get a special jelly for them to use. If they won't be persuaded to use it after each wash, see they put it on at night and their hands will keep smooth. Explain that cracked hands are dangerous, as dirt and germs can get in, and they'll soon respond.

The jelly I have in mind needs no rubbing in—the skin absorbs it at once and it is not sticky.

Dry Scalp

I notice, when I brush my hair, that a great deal of it falls out. My hair isn't very thick, and I can't afford to have it falling.

DRY SCALP is the cause of your trouble. It is responsible for dandruff and the fact that your hair "goes all ways" and is brittle and lifeless in appearance.

There is an excellent and inexpensive tonic, which I recommend you to use to cure your dry scalp. Rub a few drops well into the scalp each morning until it tingles; then brush and comb your hair.

Not a long job, but this tonic dressing will stimulate the flow of natural oils, and you will find that your hair will keep in place better, too.

COMPLEXION care is one of the chief worries now that dark days are round the corner, with fog and other signs of wintry weather.

War on Wrinkles

My neck looks so wrinkled and craggy. It does not matter in the daytime, but when I put on an evening frock it looks awful. Can I do anything for this?

I EXPECT you are one of those people who have been careful to use cream or skin food on their faces, but have forgotten all about looking after their necks.

Share some of your usual face cream for your neck and massage it well in every night. This will help to feed up the skin, but don't expect to see miracles too quickly, as it will take a little time.

Complexion Blemishes

I have been suffering from acidity in my system recently, and, as a result, my skin looks far from nice. It seems greasy, and my powder won't stay on.

LOTS of people suffer this way, and, of course, acidity quickly spoils your complexion. First, look to your diet. Take only limited quantities of meat, sugars and starches, and increase the milk, fruit and vegetables.

Hand in Glove

MITTENS, both short and elbow length, are worn with the picture type of evening frock. They are demure and youthful looking.

Many net and lace gloves are so elaborately trimmed with crystals and diamante that they are sufficient ornamentation to the arms without the addition of bracelets.

For day wear, the newest idea is to have gloves matching handbag and belt. Paris has made quite a feature of these.

A set in soft leather has small cartilage roll trimming, another in black antelope is finished with four shaped pieces of finely plaited suede in a contrast colour, and a matching open-work punched design is used in a third set.

The latter are valuable, as they neutralise the condition.

You probably know that Milk of Magnesia counteracts internal acidity. Now it can be used externally as well, as it is incorporated in two special face creams.

There is a texture cream which you can use under your powder, and a cleansing cream for bedtime. I think these hints will soon give you back a pretty complexion and will correct the blemishes.

Slimming the Hips

I am not really overweight, but my hips seem much too big and it spoils my figure. Can you suggest any exercise I might do?

PERHAPS you would like to send me a stamped, addressed envelope for my leaflet of special exercises for reducing the hips.

Do these every morning and you will soon see an improvement.

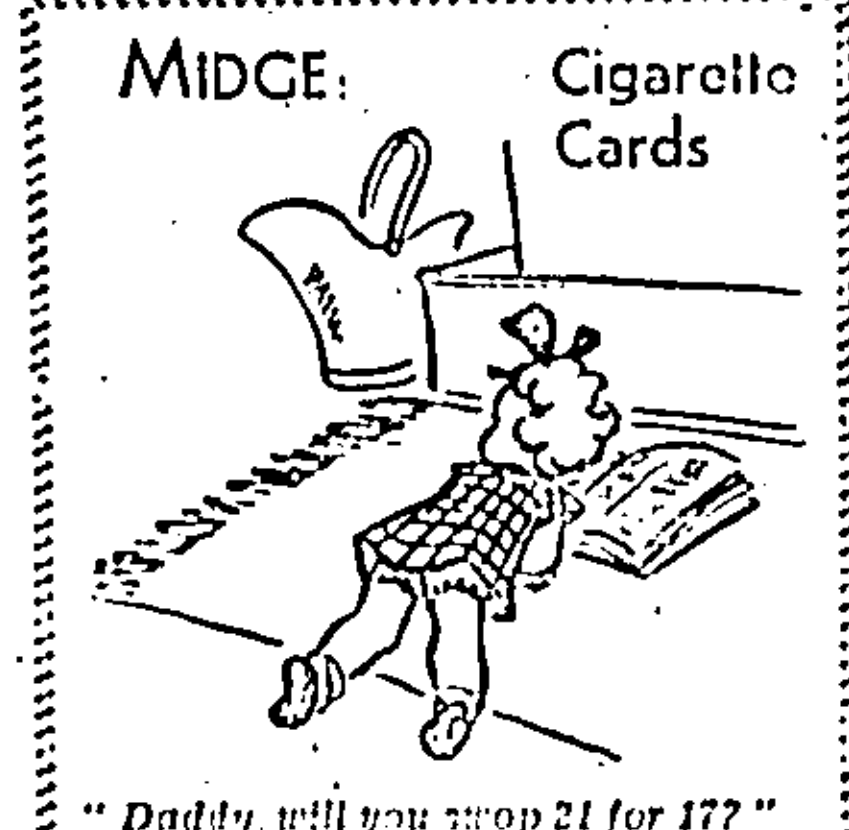
Hair Beauty

My hair waves easily so I shampoo and set it myself. I have noticed lately that there is a grey film on my brush and my hair looks dull—not glossy as it used to be.

THE hard water in your district may have a lot to do with it, as it makes rinsing and lathering more difficult.

Why don't you try a liquid shampoo for a change? It lathers up beautifully and rinses away with only one lot of water, leaving no film behind.

You'll find your hair glossy and easy to set yourself. Also, you might wash your brush with the same preparation.



MIDGE: Cigarette Cards

"Daddy, will you swap 21 for 17?"

you'll find that the bristles will come beautifully clean.

Facing the Wind

My skin doesn't chap usually, but my face gets painfully windburnt during cold weather.

HONEY is one of the oldest of beauty treatments, and that's what your skin needs. Of course, you won't want to use it straight from the hive. I suggest a cream which contains both honey and almonds—another well-tried beautifier. It will give your skin protection.

By the way, the firm which makes this preparation has a charming beauty gift case which contains this cream and two others, besides a box of face powder. The price is 2s. complete in a nice box.

Split Nails

My job keeps me at the typewriter, and my nails are in a wretched condition as a result. They are discoloured and they split badly.

PEOPLE who type a lot should keep their nails rather short. Shape them nicely, but don't let them grow beyond the finger-tips, or they'll soon break. Your nails need nourishment. You'll find that a few minutes a day spent with a nail brush, and a special preparation which is rich in oils, will soon make your finger-tips pretty again. They'll become smooth and will stop splitting.

Too Dry Skin

I'm one of those people who can't wash their faces. My skin goes "faky" so I have to cleanse it with

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TENSION.—6 stitches to 1 inch in width; 8 rows to 1 inch in depth.

MEASUREMENTS.—Length from shoulder, 19 inches; bust, 36 inches; sleeves seam, 18 inches.

ABBREVIATIONS.—K knit, p purl, st stitch, tog together, beg beginning, inc increase (by working into the back and then into the front of a st).

The p side of the work is the right side.

BACK

With No. 12 needles cast on 102 sts and rib (k 1, p 1) for 3 inches. Inc 3 sts (at beginning, centre and end) of the last row of ribbing (105 sts). Change to No. 8 needles and begin pattern. 1st row: P, 2nd row: K 3, p 1, * k 6, p 1, repeat from *, ending row k 3. Repeat these 2 rows for 9½ inches.

TO SHAPE ARMHOLE: Cast off 3 sts at the beg of the next 2 rows, k 1 tog at the beg and end of the next 4 rows, and k 2 tog at beg and end

of the next 3 alternate rows. Continue on the 85 remaining sts until the armhole measures 9½ inches (measuring straight).

TO SLOPE SHOULDERS: Cast off 10 sts at beg of the next 4 rows and cast off 8 sts at the beg of the next 2 rows. Cast remainder.

LEFT FRONT

With No. 12 needles cast on 54 sts and rib (k 1, p 1) for 3 inches. Inc on the last row of ribbing thus: * rib 0, inc in next st, repeat from * 4 times more, rib to end (59 sts). Change to No. 8 needles and begin pattern.

1st row: P until 7 sts remain, rib 7. 2nd row: Rib 7, * k 6, p 1, repeat from *, ending row k 3. Repeat these 2 rows for 9½ inches.

TO SHAPE ARMHOLE: Cast off 3 sts at armhole end of next row, k 2

tog at same end of next 4 rows and k 2 tog at same end of next 3 alternate rows. Continue on the 40 remaining sts until the armhole measures 4 inches (measuring straight).

TO SHAPE FOR NECK: Work in pattern to ribbing at front edge, turn, leaving the 7 sts in ribbing on stitch-holder meantime. Cast off 2 sts at neck end of alternate rows 5 times, k 2 tog at same end of alternate rows 4 times.

Work 2 rows on the 28 remaining sts, slope shoulders by casting off 10 sts at armhole end of alternate rows twice, then cast off the 8 remaining sts.

RIGHT FRONT

As left, reversing shaping and front border. Work the inc row thus:—Rib 4, * inc in next st, rib 0, repeat from * 4 times more. The first row of the



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pattern will be:—Rib 7, p to end of row.

2nd row: K 3, * p 1, k 6, repeat from * until 7 sts remain, rib 7. Make buttonholes on this front, the first, one inch from commencement, the second on the last 2 rows of ribbing, and 5 more at intervals of 2½ inches. Make buttonholes thus:—Rib 3, cast off 3, k 1, complete row. On next row cast on 3 over those cast off.

NECK RIBBING: Join shoulders. With No. 8 needles slip the sts from stitch-holder at right front border, pick up and k 20 sts from shaped part at right side of neck, 28 sts across back of neck, 20 sts from shaped part at left side of neck, and rib across the 7 sts at left front border (82 sts). Rib (k 1, p 1) for one row.

On next 3 rows make a buttonhole. Rib 2 rows more. Cast off in ribbing.

SLEEVES (both alike)

With No. 12 needles cast on 48 sts and rib (k 1, p 1) for 3 inches. Inc 1 st at end of last row (49 sts). Change to No. 8 needles and work in pattern as detailed on back.

Inc 1 st at beg and end of 9th and every succeeding 8th row until there are 72 sts on the needle. Continue without further shaping until the sleeve measures 18 inches.

TO SHAPE TOP OF SLEEVE: Cast off 2 sts at the beg of every row until 20 sts remain. Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Press the knitting, except ribbing, on the wrong side with a hot iron over a damp cloth. Sew sleeves into armholes, then join side and sleeve seams. Over-cast buttonholes and sew on buttons. Press all seams.

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Rich Girl Gaoled For 8 Months On Manslaughter Charge

By A Special Correspondent

MISS BETTY HERMIONE DURANCE CARTWRIGHT, wealthy joint Master of a Gloucestershire pack of beagles, limped on her crutches from the dock at Gloucestershire Assizes this evening to face eight months' imprisonment in the second division. She is twenty-five.

A jury acquitted her of the manslaughter of James Leslie Perry, a motorcyclist, and his mother, Mrs. Lilian Rachel Perry, passenger in his sidecar.

They found her guilty of dangerous driving, and of driving while under the influence of liquor.

Mr. Justice Finlay passed sentence. He also suspended her driving licence for five years.

Crowds of women who had followed the car in which earlier she was driven at a snail's pace through Gloucester's narrow streets melted away from the prison gates.

MOTHER'S EVIDENCE

Meanwhile another car drove away from the Shire Hall to Greystones, Rodborough Common. Miss Cartwright's home, fourteen miles away.

It contained elderly Mrs. Marie Louisa Cubitt, the girl's mother, distraught by the verdict.

Mrs. Cubitt, earlier in the afternoon, had told the judge and jury that her daughter smoked far too much and began to smoke too soon, but she had never seen her under the influence of drink.

While the jury were out considering their verdict—it took them forty minutes—the dock, which Miss Cartwright continued to occupy, resembled a box at an opera house.

The buzz of hundreds of people chattering and speculating on the results of the case, both in the public gallery and the well of the court, was deafening.

Miss Cartwright herself joined in the chatter, while the two women prison officers sat silent behind her.

Mrs. Cubitt opened the wooden door of the dock and sat with her daughter for a few minutes. She produced a vanity case, powdered her nose, then returned to her seat near by.

Then Mr. Geoffrey Saunders, tall, black-moustached friend of Miss Cartwright, who had said that he was the purchaser of a bottle of whisky and a bottle of ginger wine found in her car after the accident, leaned on the dock rails, talking to the girl.

Other women friends spoke to her. The jury returned.

Miss Cartwright, pale, tight-lipped, stood on her crutches, supported by the two women prison officers.

OPERATION PLEA

She listened expressionless as the foreman reiterated the word "Guilty."

Then her counsel pleaded for a postponement of the sentence while Miss Cartwright underwent an operation for her broken leg. (The accident occurred while she was playing golf in Ireland.)

There was a pause. The judge held a long whispered consultation with the governor of Gloucester Gaol. Then he turned to the girl in the dock. Again Miss Cartwright staggered to her feet on her crutches.

The judge addressed her: "Now, Betty Cartwright, this, you must know yourself, you are quite intelligent enough to know it is a most serious thing."

"You have been found guilty by the verdict of a Gloucestershire jury not only of driving your car to the danger of the public, but also of driving under the influence of drink. This is a most grave thing for a young girl brought up in your conditions, with your education, and your background."

He spoke of the plea that she should be operated on before she went to prison. Then he went on: "I propose to sentence you in spite of that."

"It would indeed be wrong if the sentence I am about to pass in any way jeopardised your well being."

"In cases of this sort the Secretary of State will either give direction that a prisoner may be sent out to a hospital for the purposes of the operation, or in the admirable hospitals of His Majesty's prisons an operation may be performed."

Mr. Justice Finlay's final words were an afterthought. "You will be



Tootsie Garcia a recent winner in the "Telegraph" Children's Competition. (Photogram Studio).

Girl Writes To Hitler 'Please Free Mummy'

A postcard from Warsaw addressed in a childish scrawl to "Mr. Hitler, Germany," which bears the words, "Please set my mummy free Dzidzia Countess Wielopolska," has arrived at the Reich Chancellery, but it is unlikely to have reached Herr Hitler's desk.

It was written by the six-year-old daughter of a 20-year-old Countess Octavia Borogin Wielopolska, arrested by Gestapo secret police in the Warsaw-Paris express two months ago.

Every German lawyer asked to defend her refuses at once on hearing that it is a "foreign spy case," without even waiting to be given names and details.

WIDOW SAVED FROM SUTTEE Intervention By Two Europeans

Prompt intervention by two British officials saved the life of an Indian woman who was about to commit suttee at Tatla, near Cawnpore (United Province).

Overwhelmed with grief at the death of her husband she was about to mount the funeral pyre on which his body lay when Mr. L. Owen, Collector, Cawnpore, and Mr. G. A. Pearce, superintendent of police, arrived.

Despite her tearful protests, the widow was persuaded to leave the pyre, and the interrupted funeral rites were resumed without further incident.

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debarred from driving a motor-car for five years. The licence of this year will be endorsed in a proper manner."

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U. S. MARINES IN SHARP EXCHANGE WITH JAPANESE

Shanghai, Dec. 3. The Japanese "advance" to the heart of Shanghai during today's parade reached the Grand Theatre, opposite the Race Course, and passed the foreign Y.M.C.A., the Park Hotel and the China United Apartments beyond the Park Road, which are all within the American defence sector, but the American Marines showed no signs of activity. An unconfirmed report said that British troops were rushed from the North Honan Road area to the Western area and also to the British defence sector.

After the bombing incident outside Sincere's the Japanese mounted machine-guns at the intersection of the Yu Ya-ching and Bubbling Well Roads facing the north and took virtual occupation of the entire area from Cheung Road to the Park Hotel and from Peiping Road to Foochow Road. Barbed-wire entanglements were erected on the boundaries by the Municipal Council coolies.

A U.S. Marine dispatch rider attempted to pass the Japanese line on his way to the American Consulate, but he was turned back at the point of Japanese pistol.

The Japanese refused to allow other British Army trucks to pass east of the Nanjing Road despite the presence of Captain Cole, the British Military Attaché. The Japanese soldiers also smashed cameras from the hands of two foreign photographers.

AMERICANS HALTED

At 5.10 p.m. the Japanese troops commenced retreating towards Yu Ya-ching Road after the U.S. Marines strongly demanded that the Japanese leave the U. S. Marine sector.

Colonel Charles Price, Commander of the Fourth U. S. Marines, accompanied by Captain Ronald Boone, reached the Japanese line by car shortly after dark, but the Japanese troops halted them at bayonet point. Both officers left their car and heatedly demanded to see the Japanese commander. Their demand was refused and hot words followed. The Japanese finally complied, but refused to give them an escort until Colonel Price and Captain Boone again stood on their rights. As a result, an escort was provided.

The American officers returned half an hour later and a Japanese officer gave the order to withdraw. A United Press correspondent heard Colonel Price say: "You are practically invading the U.S. defence sector. You must withdraw immediately."

The U.S. Marines strong stand apparently turned the tide as the Japanese cordoned off the area now includes Yu Ya-ching Road to the west, Tientsin Road to the east, Shensi Road to the east and Kiukiang Road to the south.

One U. S. Marine motor-cyclist refused to halt when he ran the gauntlet through the Nanjing Road. Many Japanese shouted at him, but none fired. —United Press.

"NOT DELIBERATE"

Shanghai, Dec. 3 (6.40 p.m.) The United States Marines have issued an official statement reviewing the Japanese invasion of the American defence sector.

The statement says that it appeared that the Japanese were unaware of the exact location of the American defence boundaries and their encroachment was inadvertent and not deliberate. When informed by Colonel Price and Captain Boone, the Japanese removed back east of Yu Ya-ching Road and removed their barbed wire. They also opened the streets to traffic inside the American sector. —United Press.

DOCTORS ROBBED

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Fung Wing, alias Fung Kit-sang, 31, and Chan Ping, 33, both unemployed, appeared before the 39 Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday charged with simple larceny of the following articles:

A table cloth, silver vase, and silver tooth-pick holder from Dr. Chau Wai-cheung of No. 24 Des Voeux Road Central, first floor; an electric fan from Dr. Wong Sik-to of Pedder Building, second floor; a table clock and silver cup from Dr. Tsang Fuk-cho of No. 187 Des Voeux Road Central, first floor; a silver medal from Dr. Sin Luk-sang of No. 10 Queen's Road Central, first floor; a silver cup from Dr. Li Ho-ting of No. 25 Des Voeux Road Central, first floor; a silver cup from Dr. Wong Chung-man of No. 63 Des Voeux Road Central first floor; a table clock from Dr. Fok Wing-kam of No. 39 Queen's Road Central; and two brass vases from Dr. F. Kew of Alexandra Building.

Det. Sergeant Cashman stated that the first defendant was arrested on information and admitted the charges. Fung during the past month visited all the complainants, and whilst in the waiting room of each doctor had picked up what he wanted and left without seeing the doctor. Witness said that he could bring another nine charges against Fung.

The first defendant was sentenced to eight months' imprisonment, but the second man was discharged owing to lack of evidence against him.

Hitler May Stop Arms Flow Fast

London, Dec. 3. There are indications of a drastic curtailment in British supplies and materials moving to China through Hongkong in order to avoid complications. Supplies at present in transit through Hongkong are of German origin.

Attention is drawn to the fact that Hitler is reported to be making efforts to induce China to agree to arbitration, and that he has threatened to cut off the flow of munition to China and will perhaps recall the military mission in the event of refusal. —United Press.

RADIO BROADCAST

(Continued on Page 7.)

break your heart; 12. Medley of Vienna Waltzes.

10.55 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

11.00 13. On a Little Bamboo Bridge; 14. Medley of Hawaiian Hulas; 15. Sweet Lullaby; 16. Honey-suckle Rose.

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11.20 17. Love, what have you done to my heart; 18. Adios Argentina; 19. Cubalero; 20. Cuba Libre.

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11.45 21. Smarty; 22. The Moon got into my eyes; 23. After you; 24. Charavan.

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DAVENTRY PROGRAMMES

7.30 a.m. "Round and About."

7.30 a.m. "As I See It"—6.

8.45 a.m. The BBC Empire Orchestra.

9.00 a.m. The News and Announcements.

Greenwich Time Signal at 9.45 a.m.

9.55 a.m. Frank Newman, at the Organ of The Regal, Edmonton, London.

10.00 a.m. "The Twilight Serenaders."

10.20 a.m. Recital of Music by American Composers, Alan Richardson (Pianoforte).

10.40 a.m. "Made in Great Britain"—2.

11.10 a.m. The News and Announcements.

Greenwich Time Signal at 11.15 a.m.

11.20 a.m. "The News and Announcements."

4.15 p.m. Big Ben, "London Log."

4.25 p.m. "Dancing Time."

4.35 p.m. "The News and Announcements."

5.00 p.m. "The News and Announcements."

Greenwich Time Signal at 5.45 p.m.

5.55 p.m. "Made in Great Britain"—2.

6.00 p.m. "The News and Announcements."

6.45 p.m. Big Ben, Cinema Organ Recital.

7.15 p.m. Gladys Young in "The Lady's Man."

7.25 p.m. The Celebrity Trio.

7.35 p.m. "As I See It"—5.

7.50 p.m. "The News and Announcements."

8.30 p.m. "The Microphone at Large."

9 p.m. For the Children: "Penny Plain."

9.15 p.m. "The News and Announcements."

Greenwich Time Signal at 9.45 p.m.

10.15 p.m. Big Ben, "The Coventry III," dramatic Orchestra.

10.45 p.m. Jack Payne with his Band.

11.15 p.m. The League, Division I: Charlton Athletic v. Everton. A running commentary by Ivan Sharpe on the second half of the Association football match. From Charlton Athletic Football Ground, London.

12.15 a.m. Variety.

12.30 a.m. The News and Announcements.

Greenwich Time Signal at 12.45 a.m.

1.00 a.m. Dance Music.

1.20 a.m. "London Log."

1.30 a.m. Billy Cotton and his Band, in a programme of up-to-the-minute tunes and of melodies not easily forgotten.

2 a.m. Big Ben, "The News and Announcements."

Greenwich Time Signal at 2.15 a.m.

2.30 a.m. "Intermission."

2.50 a.m. The League, Division I: Charlton Athletic v. Everton.

3.15 a.m. Musical-Comedy Memories.

4 a.m. "In Town To-night," Fifth Season: 12th Edition.

4 a.m. Music Hall, including George Formby, with the BBC Variety Orchestra.

4.30 a.m. Interval.

5.15 a.m. The News and Announcements.

Greenwich Time Signal at 5.30 a.m.

5.40 a.m. Jack Payne with his Band.

6.20 a.m. The BBC Military Band.

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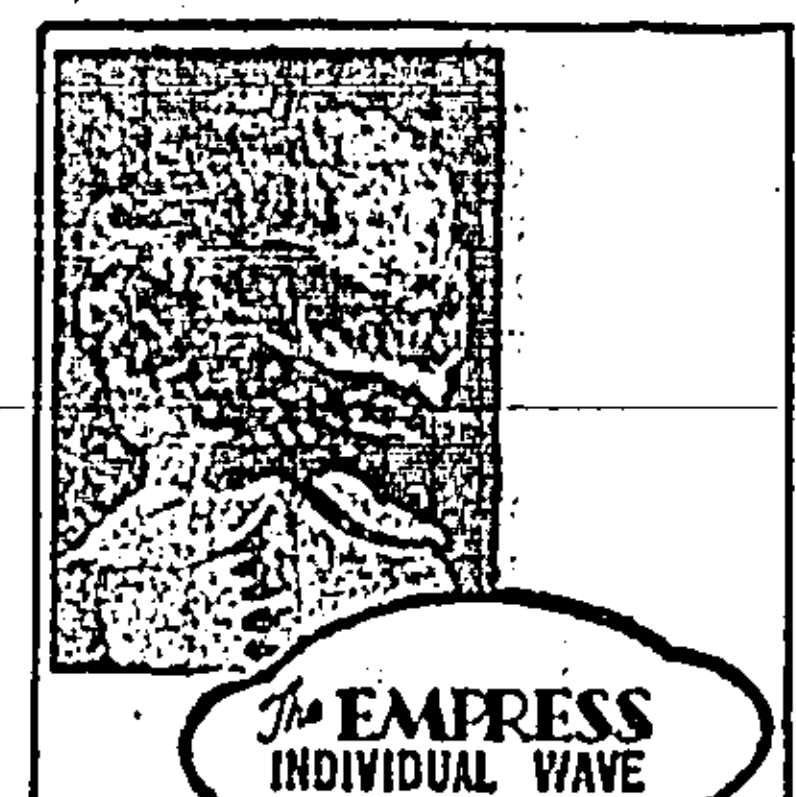
EN ROUTE TO SHANGHAI

Hankow, Dec. 3.

Mr. R. G. Howe, British Charge d'Affaires, left for Shanghai via Hongkong, by train from Wuchang at 9 o'clock this morning. He is on board an international train which also carried away many British and foreign women. Only the Second Secretary, Mr. B. E. F. Gage is at present remaining here.

Mr. Dravlin, Soviet Military Attaché, who recently arrived, is also absent from Hankow. He is believed to have flown to Nanking. —United Press.

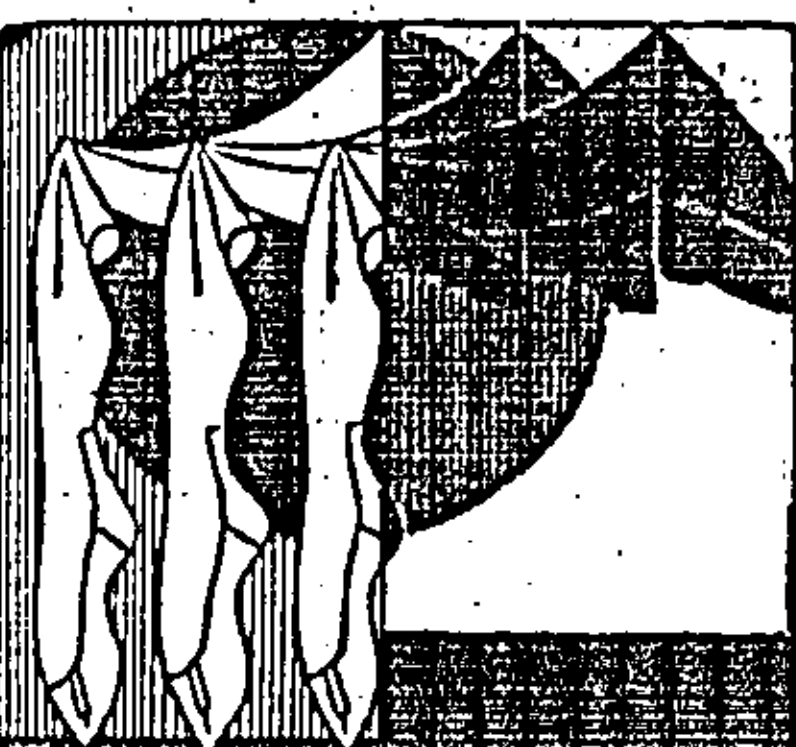
Enquiries at the Colonial Secretary's Office yesterday afternoon led to a statement that Government here had received no communication since the party left Hankow, but expected a telegram when they reached Canton. Arrangements would then be made to meet the visitors. Asked whether the combatants had been asked to guarantee the immunity of the train from attack, an official stated he was not aware of this but expected that the publicity given to the train was sufficient notice to the Japanese of its arrival.



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The Hongkong Telegraph.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1937.

KEEPING A STEP AHEAD

Great Britain keeps step with the world in most things, and is generally a pace or two ahead of the crowd. There was a time when, like Sam the Soldier, Britain was the only one in step. But that was long ago, when an idealistic Government sought to lead the world in disarmament and scrapped thousands of tons of fighting craft of glorious record, and much against the will of people who realised that peace was not yet permanent.

To-day, however, it is fair to say that Britain not only keeps step, sets the pace, or what you will, but keeps the open mind in matters pertaining to defence, which are after all amongst the most vital considerations of the time. The changes in the Imperial General Staff prove the Government's progressiveness, and the attitude of the famous soldiers, the veterans who have willingly made way for younger men in the places of chief responsibility, speaks volumes for the altered spirit of the Army. Gone is the old, hide-bound, iron-fast system whereby seniority won to command. To-day merit and ability are the first considerations where promotion is concerned. That is as it should be.

There will be some who remember how, during the early stages of the Great War, "regular" soldiers scoffed at the idea of "amateurs" ever distinguishing themselves except in obeying orders and carrying out some enterprise which the old Army directed. There was even some doubt whether the "undisciplined" and free-and-easy troops from the Dominions would stand up under fire. Those misconceptions soon vanished in the bloody welter of the Somme, the Marne, Festubert, Passchendaele, Vimy, Loos, Gallipoli, and a hundred other fights where the Great End and French-Canadian timber camps, from Sydney's waterfront and the farms of Africa, did as much as the Guards could do. It was in the Great War that British generals, and the British Government, learned that by merit alone are battles won. Seniority has nothing to do with it, though there is no question that the older men had as much, often more, to offer than the younger. The great thing was that the principle of promotion on ability was re-

Of all the teeming millions of the populous East, no people are more inherently a nation of farmers than the Chinese; for although the great cities of the land boast immense populations, yet the majority of the Sons of Han are, as they have been for more than forty centuries, contented and self-sufficing tillers of the soil. The cities on the other hand, especially those of the so-called Open Ports pulsate with all the concomitant incongruities of quasi-Occidentalism and can scarcely be reconciled with the delectable prospects of the placid countryside presenting as it does multitudinous vistas of emerald paddy-fields and quaint old-world villages enshrined amongst verdant, tomb-dotted hills. Moreover, one finds in the rural portions of the country an almost nirvanic calm and peace, and the thought dawns upon one that after all, the bustling port cities with their quays, warehouses, sheds and shops are merely the prosaic, conterminous and ancillary adjuncts—yea, the ugly and grotesque totality of an encroaching West—the sordid and venal excrecences of an alien civilisation. Furthermore, the countryside is the veritable centre of Chinese national life, and, too, has been a most potent factor in developing the much criticised and grossly misunderstood national viewpoint of the Chinese people; for they, as a whole, do not think in terms of the nation at large, but of family, clan, province and above all the natal village.

INDEED, every village, contrary to the usual practice of other lands, is the abode of a single clan, or rarely of two, who are both more or less closely united by ties of kindred, and who thus perforce abide together for the sake of mutual aid, security and protection. Thus we find that the inhabitants are consanguineous in relationship and theoretically, at least, of a common ancestral origin, which tends to generate like interests and an unbecoming outlook, so much so that those who reside in another hamlet, if they happen to be members of a different clan, are often viewed with distrust; and unfortunately, too, in some parts of southern China in the province of Kwangtung, clan feuds frequently occur, which are always accompanied by disturbance and occasionally by bloodshed.

The local feuds bear some relation to those of Scotland during the several centuries before the Union of the Crown; but there is little romance about the vendettas of South China, as the dashing chivalry of the wild Caledonian Border, which has been immortalised by Sir Walter Scott, is entirely lacking. Of course, nowadays the Provincial Government puts down any enmity between the disaffected clans which seems precursory of general bloodshed; but in

cognised. The senior officer of any unit was not necessarily the oldest man in it, any more than he was the strongest physically. And so the old order altered.

It took some of Britain's soldiers and sailors a long time to recognise the potentialities in the tank and the aeroplane. But finally the prejudices were overcome, and to-day the Army is being mechanised, tanks are superseding cavalry, aeroplanes, performing the functions of the cruiser squadrons, to some extent. That was another step.

The Government has even recognised the necessity of altering the status of the Territorials, and their officers can now reach the highest ranks. The Director-General of the Territorial Army has been nominated a member of the Army Council. Closer collaboration of all defence forces, Territorials, Naval Reserve, volunteers who pursue their own vocations and are only amateurs in the service, is the basis of the new British defence policy. It is sound. And it will be especially appreciated by the officers and men who, as amateur soldiers and sailors have endeavoured to make themselves proficient in the arts of war without remuneration and, all too often, without thanks—until their hour has struck, and they have had a chance to show their ability.

In her present defence policy Britain keeps up with the world. To many it will appear that she keeps a step ahead of it.

VILLAGE LIFE In SOUTH CHINA

Described By
T. PAUL GREGORY

In the past, when the inhabitants felt less forcibly the restraining hand of the military, they were wont to make occasional nocturnal raids upon the villages of rival clans with the intent of pillage, slaughter and enslavement of the foe. Indeed, even at the present day there may be found amongst the inhabitants in certain of the southernmost districts of the province of Kwangtung a condition of helotism or serfdom, such as once existed in Europe, and these helots or "Hui-tai" as they are designated in the rustic patois, are said to be the offspring of those prisoners of war, who were captured during the cruel and bloody clan struggles of former years. Although these unfortunate victims of internecine strife have been legally free since the establishment of the Republic in 1912, yet most of them still remain in their respective villages, apparently oblivious of their emancipation; and their position is one of benign slavery, being agricultural herds bound to the village, which they assist in the cultivation of the fields, and in the preparation and serving of the periodic communal feasts.

PRACTICALLY all Chinese villages are of a monotonous uniformity in appearance, and seem to be nothing more than a solid block of houses, which, however, are separated from each other by an interval of perhaps four or five feet. The dwellings are in the majority of cases windowless structures of greyish brick, surmounted by roofs of hyacinth-coloured tiles, which on account of their soft, porous nature and the inherent dampness of South China's climate, are variegated with the velvety verdure of moss. All are built directly upon the ground, and the absence of a foundation renders them insufferably damp, a fact which is apparently unnoticed by the inmates; but as such has been the prevailing mode of domestic architecture for the past two thousand years, the inhabitants have no doubt become inured to such trivial matters as gloom and dampness and ill-ventilation. None of the dwelling exceeds a single storey in height, unless we mention a rare two-storey edifice, the residence of some returned emigrant, who, defying tradition and the influence of economy, has planned his house in a more exotic style, and boasts of a collection of eye-like windows, which stare vacantly down upon the roofs of the neighbouring habitations.

The interior of such dwellings is unusually plain, and would be according to western standards—damp, stuffy and comfortless. Light is admitted through an aperture in the roof, and this skylight, or "tin-teng" ("heavenly well") is furnished with a sort of sliding frame in which a mosaic of translucent oyster-shells is fitted, and so designed that by a pull of a rope, it may be made to slide over the opening, thus effectively providing against the emergency of the frequent rains. Directly beneath this opening is found the domestic well, which like the hearth in the country cottages of England and the Continent, is the centre around which moves the daily life of the family. The doors of the house are usually thrown open during the day in order to provide both ventilation and an increased volume of light; and through the open portals saunter unobtrusively the family chattering and his feathered seraglio. The freedom of the house that is granted to the fowls is denied, however, to the household pig, and should the latter in the course of its indefatigable perambulations poke an inquisitive snout within the sacred precincts, the good matron is immediately up in arms, and with many a chiao-hee and oo-yoo-bids the unlucky intruder to depart.

Every house contains a parlour or two, and a suite of dark, plainly furnished rooms, which are employed as the sleeping quarters of the inmates. The parlour, or "teng," as it is called, is like the living room and domestic workshop of the household, as it is the best lighted, being directly

beneath the "heavenly well." Here may be found the chung-hom, or stone rice-huller (a kind of mortar with its pestle mounted upon a long plank, set in a frame, and so designed that it may be operated by pressure of the foot), and during the long afternoons, and often, too, by candle-light, the womenfolk busily engage themselves with the arduous task of hulling the garnered sheaves of South China's staff of life. The "teng," however, in the case of the wealthier inhabitants is often elaborately furnished, and many well-chosen pictures and calligraphic scrolls are hung upon the walls, and the room is filled with a profusion of heavy, intricately carved blackwood furniture. The "teng" also contains the ancestral shrine, resplendent in crimson and gilt, and is the centre of the assiduous devotions of the household; for like the Lares and Penates of the ancient Romans, the spirits of the departed ancestors are ever solicitous of the welfare of their descendants, and are sure (so it is believed) to require such loyal attentions with bountiful harvests and manifold prosperity for the family.

ALMOST every village is surrounded by groves of splendid conifers, or more rarely banyans and graceful bamboos, which tower in verdant majesty above the clustering thickets of iron-quavas and pumelos, the tiny kum-quas and wild raspberries, the wattle-toe-lak or "tiger thorns" (Poly-gonum perforatum) and a rank host of spiny-leaved brambles, through whose tangled depths roam the ubiquitous swine, engaged in the leisurely task of delving for pannage. Within this encircling bosage are the paddy-fields, periodically metamorphosing from shallow pools of black oozy mire to vibrant carpets of growing grain, which soon change into a state of golden splendour, and then if tired of allusion, revert to patches of starkly staring, denuded stubble. The entire life of the village revolves around the world of its rice-fields, which are apportioned in narrow strips, so that each household has sufficient space to raise grain for its own use. The rice is properly speaking, no communal ownership nor tenant system; for every inhabitant owns and tills the soil inherited from his fathers, which is looked upon almost as a sacred charge; and rarely will a peasant dispose of his slender holding, unless compelled to do so by the unforeseen exigencies of Fate. Such an event, however, is justly regarded as a dire calamity; for a family without land speedily goes to pot and is ere long reduced to beggary. Somewhat remote from the rice-fields, but still within the precincts of the village, are the garden patches, where the womenfolk grow vegetables for the family table, and for sale in the hut or market-town of the community. Naturally, the continual productivity of the fields is a serious drain upon fertility; but the Chinese farmer has long since learned to offset any detrimental effects by the constant, liberal and unstinted application of natural fertiliser which is assiduously collected and stored in reeking vats of cement, where it is blended with ammoniacal excreta and wood-ashes, and allowed to ferment until it is ready for use.

There is, moreover, at some distance from the village, a number of outlying fields, largely sterile, from which some impecunious peasant occasionally endeavours to coax a stand of rice; but the labour of carrying out the buckets of necessary fertilizer, is, in itself, a sufficient deterrent to most of the country-folk. Besides, as in many districts a large proportion of the male population has gone to the cities in search of employment, the cultivation of the land is left largely to the efforts of the women and girls; consequently, only those fields which are the most accessible and fertile are tilled, and the terraced mountain-slopes, which were carved out with such infinite

toll by their forefathers, are for the greater part neglected and well-nigh ruined by the erosive and torrential seasonal rains.

The mountain-slopes, whilst they have been terraced to a certain extent, and rendered amenable to the plough, are yet better adapted for the pasturage of numerous water-buffaloes and humped Brahman cattle, of which almost every household possesses one or more. These are the special charge of the younger kids, who regularly lead these plodding, ring-nosed beasts out to pasture in the morning, and bring them back at nightfall, lest they should fall a prey to either thieves or an occasional tiger. The bucolic simplicity of this life has a poetic charm about it, which has the strongest appeal to every Son of Han; and no matter how far he may have advanced in the world, he is successful merchant, famed warrior, learned scholar or astute diplomat, the spot that he holds most dear to his heart is usually the little hamlet where he was born, and where he has spent so many happy childhood hours as a head-boy perched upon the broad back of a patiently ambling water-ox and wandering so carefree over the verdant hillsides.

IN such a singularly charming countryside, there yet lurks an unmistakable sense of insecurity and unrest; for in almost every South China hamlet loom one or more battlemented towers. These militant sentinels are invariably square in form, strongly constructed of reinforced concrete, with walls of a foot or more in thickness, which are pierced with loopholes or embrasures, and the solitary entrances are fitted with massive doors of iron. In addition, many of these watch-towers are provided with acetylene searchlights, whose rays may be projected into the inmost recesses of the village and out into the circumference of the distant horizon.

These fortresses have been erected not only as a defence against bandits, but also as a preparatory measure against the ever-recurring clan feuds, to which we have alluded, and do black oozy mire to vibrant carpets of growing grain, which soon change into a state of golden splendour, and then if tired of allusion, revert to patches of starkly staring, denuded stubble. The entire life of the village revolves around the world of its rice-fields, which are apportioned in narrow strips, so that each household has sufficient space to raise grain for its own use. The rice is properly speaking, no communal ownership nor tenant system; for every inhabitant owns and tills the soil inherited from his fathers, which is looked upon almost as a sacred charge; and rarely will a peasant dispose of his slender holding, unless compelled to do so by the unforeseen exigencies of Fate. Such an event, however, is justly regarded as a dire calamity; for a family without land speedily goes to pot and is ere long reduced to beggary. Somewhat remote from the rice-fields, but still within the precincts of the village, are the garden patches, where the womenfolk grow vegetables for the family table, and for sale in the hut or market-town of the community. Naturally, the continual productivity of the fields is a serious drain upon fertility; but the Chinese farmer has long since learned to offset any detrimental effects by the constant, liberal and unstinted application of natural fertiliser which is assiduously collected and stored in reeking vats of cement, where it is blended with ammoniacal excreta and wood-ashes, and allowed to ferment until it is ready for use.

OF food, the inhabitants of southern China have a great variety; for their fields, in addition to providing the omnipresent rice, supply them with an abundance of vegetables; and their groves yield in season a wealth of succulent tropical fruits—the fragrant plum, the orange, the pineapple, litchis, long-ans, mangoes, the fruitfulness of a Chinese orchard. The herds of swine and flocks of fowls provide them with flesh, which may be varied by the slaughter of one of their water-buffaloes or yellow oxen, yet this is seldom done, unless the animal be too old for labour in the fields (for did not Confucius say to spare the creature that draws the plough?). The rivers of the region teem with fish, which may be caught by all who care to take the trouble; but as the Chinese are past masters of the art of pisciculture, the village fish-pond is well-stocked with denizens of the finny tribe, so that the family, who, perchance, may tire of the usual pork and vegetable adjunction to its boiled rice, may on occasion add such Lenten extremities, as would invite the gustatory approbation of an epicure. Moreover, the proximity of the villages to various market-towns of the countryside, affords the wealthier inhabitants an opportunity to augment their larder with imported delicacies, so that on the whole, the Sons and Daughters of Han, who dwell in the South, fare remarkably well.

The abundance of food, however, is counterbalanced by the scarcity of fuel, and yet, although the bowels of the mountains contain coal of an excellent quality, which in some places is so near the surface that open seams of carboniferous strata are exposed, the inherent conservatism of the people is so trammeled that the opening of mines has always been frowned upon; and thus, the inhabitants have had to depend upon the sparse fuel obtained from their denuded hillsides, and the dried straw remaining after the rice has been threshed. Yet in spite of this defect, the people are obviously content, and as in the case of certain districts the continual infiltration of funds from Hongkong and abroad, enables almost every household to enjoy a degree of luxury not possible to the peasantry of the northern portion of the Chinese Republic.

NOTWITHSTANDING the steady influx of monetary wealth from the workers in the cities and abroad, which is unfortunately spent not so

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BULLS AND INNERS

From the Office Butts

According to a Shanghai gossip-writer, some fair referees have had quite a birthday in Hongkong. We wish them many happy returns.

Two burglars entered a local hotel. It is understood that they escaped without losing anything.

The Glasgow "Dry" Vote has been over-ruled by the House of Commons. Whenever we've been there, it's been wet for days on end.

It's all very well to say that everything will be alright in the long run; but how long is the long run?

Should life insurance be referred to as professional or commercial? asks a reader. We think it's just a business.

The best way to preserve oranges is to lock them up.

Some of the returned Shanghai-handlers say that Hongkong is really on the map now. (Atta-t!)

Japan Viewed As Safe From Any Blockade

NAVAL THEORISTS BELIEVE WORLD ALIGNMENT IS PROTECTION

By Graffan McGroarty
United Press Staff Correspondent

Washington. The Italo-German-Japanese alignment against Communism has upset the naval thesis that British and American navies might jointly support an economic blockade in the Pacific in event of a future struggle between the white and yellow races, according to naval opinion here.

The comparatively new alignment of the anti-Communist powers has caused wide revision of hypothetical war projects of all powers. Many American experts believe that the theoretical "ring of steel" around Japan, supported by British and American navies, is no longer a tenable theory applicable to a possible future war in the Pacific.

Co-operation between the three "have not" or dissatisfied powers, is believed in naval circles to embrace vastly more than a mere pact of mutual assistance to crush the Communist "red peril." It is believed to include a tentative understanding for the pooling of their economic and military strength to gain "a place in the sun" and a source of much-needed raw materials, by force if ultimately necessary.

For years naval strategists studied a possible programme of naval co-operation between the United States and Britain which conceivably would have brought Japan to her knees as a result of economic strangulation.

HYPOTHETICAL PLAN ANALYZED

The hypothetical plan envisaged a more or less semi-circular chain of warships stretching from Dutch Harbor, Alaska, to Singapore. The blockade would have cut off all Japanese imports and exports except those to and from the Asiatic mainland, and theoretically would have operated outside the effective range of the Japanese fleet.

It generally was conceded by strategists that the Philippine Islands and Guam and other small possessions of both the United States and Britain would fall to Japan in such a possible battle, but it was thought

business paralysis would soon commence in the island empire. The theory was regarded as a brilliant working possibility to preserve the "status quo" of the Pacific.

But the Japanese government's recent close alignment with Fascist Italy and Nazi Germany, according to naval experts here, has made a possible Anglo-American blockade of Japan so risky that neither power would dare to undertake it under any circumstances.

In the first place, a blockade would require such a large part of both the United States and British fleets in order to be effective that it would leave the homeland and vital trade arteries unguarded.

RESTRICTED DEFENCE FAVOURED

Meanwhile, American naval and military authorities appear to be concentrating on defence of the Pacific area that lies in the triangle between the Aleutians, Hawaii and the Panama Canal Zone, and following a "hands off" policy in the remainder of the Pacific.

In view of the Sino-Japanese war there is certain to be renewed agitation at the next session of Congress for construction of a powerful air base either in Alaska or the Aleutian Islands, nearest point in the western hemisphere to Japan. Military authorities are agreed that with the present defences and military units in Alaska, Japan could capture that territory of the United States within a few weeks.

Establishment of a base there would provide any hostile power with a convenient point from which to launch a devastating air attack on the northwestern section of the United States, recently toured by President Roosevelt.

It is understood that the Navy Department desires to increase its facilities in the Hawaiian Islands to make them the "Gibraltar of the Pacific."

There is also some agitation for increased defences around the Panama Canal, with possible acquisition of islands strategically located on either end of the canal to base submarines and airplanes.



There is not much time before Christmas, and in England feeding of the turkeys the Christmas table bit, is in full swing. In this picture the charming farm worker is demonstrating the right way to carry a live turkey.

Two Plots To Kill Stalin Revealed At Terror Trial

TWO attempts to assassinate Stalin have just been revealed at the trial of 13 members of the Caucasian Government of Abkhazia on charge of planning an armed rebellion.

The plot was headed by Nustor Lakoba, the Abkhazian Premier, who is said to have recruited the chief of the local OGPU (secret police), the chief of the local militia, and two border guards.

While Stalin was en route in the Black Sea near Gagra in the summer of 1933 the group fired at his cutter. But the boat was going too fast, and was too far from the shore for the shots to take effect.

AMBUSH PLOT FAILED

It was alleged that Trotsky, Plavtsov (Communist for Heavy Industries) and Karl Radek (who is in jail) were all connected with this plot.

A second attempt in 1935 failed because the conspirators arrived too late at the scene where they intended to ambush the Soviet leader. According to the prosecution the plotters had prepared to set up an independent capitalist State under the protection of an unnamed foreign country.

All thirteen have pleaded guilty. Their chance of escaping the firing squad is extremely remote.

VILLAGE LIFE IN SOUTH CHINA

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wisely as one might imagine, (for a considerable portion of it, is simply squandered in expensive and extreme vulgar weddings, feasts and in the superstitious practices of religion), the intellectual sphere of the inhabitants is extremely limited and narrow in scope. The amusements of the countryside, may be said to be of the nature of the "gossip" of the village. There are no mixed gatherings for social diversions, whatsoever, and the diversions of the country people are limited to the witnessing of an occasional theatrical spectacle presented by strolling companies of players, the acts of thaumaturgic and physical skill professed by some roaming charlatan, and of course, the pleasure provided by the terran and quintan markets.

Chinese village life may be truly said to be amongst the world's most irrefragable gossip-mongers; for every individual in the country districts makes it a part of his existence to attend the market once or twice a week, not only to dispose of his surplus produce, but also to hear all the subliminal and domestic gossip of the neighbourhood. Reading as a means of information and diversion is not much in vogue, and although newspapers are to be had, they are published in the cities and the demand for them is unfortunately rather limited. Some, indeed, are published locally, but these are mostly so-called family or clan magazines devoted to the news of the countryside for the consumption of those who have gone abroad.

SUCH is a cursory presentation of village life in South China, and, moreover, are the normal conditions of daily living throughout the greater part of the Republic. Indeed, the lives of the people differ but little from those of their rustic ancestors, save that whilst their fathers illuminated their dwellings with rush wicks dipped in rude earthen saucers of vegetable fat, their descendants vaunt kerosene lamps, and the lowly five-gallon oil tin like the democratic cigarette is found everywhere, even in the most sequestered and remote hamlet. After all, Time has not greatly altered the tranquil monotony of peasant life, and such it will probably be for many decades to come, and although the nation at large is now in the throes of a gigantic struggle for national existence, yet it will undoubtedly be many years before the effects of her valiant resistance will have any perceptible repercussions on the tranquil daily lives of the common people.

"It is in this syllable is pronounced as the H in the Welsh word 'Llewellyn,' and is commonly employed in the T'ai-shan or Sun-ning district of Kwantung Province; for in this section of South China are found the greatest number of these agricultural serfs.

Fire-Walking Act Easy; Only Confidence Needed

The University of London Council for Psychological Research has conducted a series of fire-walking tests under the direction of Harry Price, its honorary secretary. A native of India, Ahmed Hussain, contended that his faith enabled him to walk on red-hot embers without being burned. He also said that he could conduct others over the embers.

An advertisement in the London Times reading "Amateur and professional fire walkers or heat resisters required in series of experiments to test Indian fire-walker. Volunteers walk entirely at own risk, brought 50 applicants. Of these A. J. Bould, D. C. Russell, R. Adecock, Neil Menzies, H. A. Chesny, A. S. Osborne and R. Craig were selected. In the grounds of a house in Carshalton near London, a 12-foot trench was dug, heaped with logs and set afire. The heat of the resulting embers was 1,600 degrees Fahrenheit. The feet of the men to walk were washed and examined to make sure they had no special preparation.

Hussain then told the others to have faith in him and to maintain physical contact with each other as they walked. Four men did as instructed, walking rapidly over the glowing embers after the Indian. They received slight burns, but the other three, walking by themselves, were not burned at all. When the walk was extended to 20 feet, they were all slightly burned, including Hussain.

The conclusions drawn by the council at the end of the tests were announced by Price who said: "It is purely a matter of confidence. If the subject is confident, he will walk without faltering, his feet in contact with the embers for only one-third of a second at a time. Hussain had nothing to do with the successful walks of the volunteers. He not only failed to conduct four of them without being burned, but was burned himself over a long walk while those that went alone received no injuries."

Those who walked on the embers reported that there was no sensation during the walk, but that they had a tingling in their feet shortly after. None of the subjects received serious burns and it was 15 minutes before any blisters appeared. Hussain did not train for the feat. As was demonstrated, any person with confidence and a knowledge of how to walk can accomplish the feat.

Fire walking is practiced in New Zealand, China and India where the method is the same, except that hot stones or coals are substituted for embers. In Bulgaria near the Black Sea, fire walking is a part of a religious ceremony. There the women work themselves up to a frenzied pitch for a week and then on June 1 they dance on hot embers and stones. Stones do not reach the heat of embers and therefore can be endured for a long time.—United Press.

SMOKEBOMB ATTACK SAVES SEAMAN FROM SHARKS

Seaman Joseph Corrie, struggling in the Atlantic to escape from sharks which were biting at his ankles, was saved by smoke-bombs dropped from a seaplane (says Reuters). He told the story of his experience when he landed at Norfolk, Virginia.

Corrie—who comes from Whitehaven, Cumberland—was one of twenty survivors of the crew of the Greek steamer Tzeny Chondris (5,815 tons), which sank off the U.S. coast recently. Eight sailors are believed to have been drowned.

Corrie said: "The ship took me down with her. I heard her gurgle as if could not swim, but I grabbed a piece of timber and held on. I was clinging to that bit of wreckage for thirty hours."

"Sharks kept brushing against me. They bit my ankles. But they went away when I kicked out."

"Finally a seaplane spotted me and began to bomb the sharks with smoke bombs to keep them at a distance. It was some time before I was picked up."

PEER TO PAY £3,500

THIS unfortunate wife has not gloried in all her actions of the last two years, much to her credit.

Mr. Justice Langton said this to a Divorce Court jury in a case in which Lord Manton was cited as co-respondent in a petition by Mrs. John Dane Player, of Friars Well, Warrington, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire.

DAMAGES FOR WIFE

Lord Manton and Mrs. Lella Joan Player were alleged to have committed misconduct in Paris.

It was intimated that Mr. Player intended that any damages awarded him should be settled on his wife.

The suit was not defended so far as the charge of misconduct was concerned, but was contested in regard to damages.

Mr. Player was awarded £3,500, and granted a decree nisi.

Mr. and Mrs. Player were married in 1928 and there are no children.

"BADLY HURT"

In his summing up, Mr. Justice Langton said: "Here is a woman with whom the husband had formed every kind of tie of companionship and affection during the past eight years of their lives, and she had been taken away from him."

"It is an aggravation of his sufferings that although his wife at times wished to return to him, she has changed her mind and gone away again with the co-respondent."

It was not a case in which to think of extravagant sums, but one in which the jury might think a husband had been badly hurt and deserved good compensation for it.

RADIO BROADCAST

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12.00-12.20 p.m. Relay of Special Service from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 Songs by Lucienne Boyer.
En Se Regardant (Bayle-Delettre); Chez Moi (Felline-Misraki); Estampe Marocaine (Eddy-Bos).

12.40 Continental Orchestras.
March Herolque (Saint-Saens).... Orchestre Symphonique (of Paris) Cond: F. Ruhlmann; En La Alhambra, Serenata (Breton).... Madrid Symphony Orchestra Cond: Enrique F. Arbos; Fire Festival Polka (Josef Strauss-Op. 260).... Johann Strauss and Symphony Orchestra.

1.00 Time and Weather.
1.03 Turner Layton (Vocal and Piano).

Smoke Gets In Your Eyes (Harbach and Kern); There's No More You Can Say (Delettre and Carter); Up The Wooden Hill To Bedfordshire (Grey and Connolly).

1.13 The London Palladium Orchestra.

The Leek—Selection (Middleton); The Golden Valse (arr. Winter).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather and Announcements.

1.40 Frank Crumit (Vocal).

Whoa, Josephine (Crumit, Burt); There's No One With Endurance (Crumit, Curtis).

1.46 Dance Orchestras.

Fox-Trots—My Cabin Of Dreams... Roy Fox and His Orchestra; So Rare... Roy Fox and His Orchestra; Yours And Mine (film "Broadway Melody of 1938"); I Know Now (film "The Singing Marine")... Roy Fox and His Orchestra; Cause My Baby Says It's So; Night Over Shanghai (film "The Singing Marine")... Billy Thorburn and His Music; Tangos—Le Feu Carreze; El Payaso Del Corazon Partido... Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra; Fox-Trots—Throwing Peanuts To The Moon; Toodle-oo... Brian Lawrence and His Landsdowne Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.

4.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese Programme.

7.00 Dance Music.

Quickstep—My Gal, Mezzanine... Gerry Moore (Piano); Fox-Trots—Fifty Million Robins Can't Be Wrong; Carelessly... Billy Cotton and His Band; Waltz—Moonlight Valley (film "Secret Service"); Quickstep—A Sailboat In The Moonlight... Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra.

7.15 London Relay—Gladys Young in "The Lady's Maid."

From the short story by Katherine Mansfield adapted by M. H. Allen. Presented by John Richmond.

7.25 Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market.

7.30 Variety.

Vocal and Guitar—Prinrie Romeo (Godfrey-Carlton); There's Only Five Bullets in My Old Six Shooter (Box-Cox-Roberts)... Rob Mallin; Organ—Musical Sweethearts... H. Robinson Cleaver; Duettist—Toll Along, (Coveney-Waters (Kennedy); Don't Forget (Carr and Shapiro)... Walsh and Barker; Humorous Monologue—Markman Sam (Edgar and Holloway)... Stanley Holloway; Novelty—Moonlight On The Prairie (from the film); Home On The Range (arr. Ted and Ezra)... The Hill Billies.

8.00 Music, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Choruses.

Royal Naval Singers—Sea Songs... Sea Shanties... Portsmouth Royal Naval Singers conducted by C. T. Lee, R.N.

8.05 Tenness Music.

Austrian Peasant Dances (arr. Max Schonecherr)... Symphony Orchestra cond: Walter Goehr; Vienna Blood—Selection (Joh. Strauss-Leon-Stein)... Maria Hester (Soprano); Herbert E. Groh (Tenor); Max Schippen (Tenor) with chorus and Orchestra; Donauwellen, Waltz... Edith Lorand Orchestra.

8.30 London Relay—The Microphone At Large.

With S. P. B. Mals. A visit to the Wyre Forest District of Worcestershire. A programme arranged by David Greig.

9.00 Local Sport Results.

9.10 Selections from Verdi's Operas.

"La Forza Del Destino"—Pace Mio Dio... Claudia Muzio (Soprano); Alda—Grand March, Act 2... Boston Promenade Orchestra cond: Arthur Fiedler; Moriel St. Pura E Belli La Fatal Pietra... Rosa Ponelle (Soprano) and Giovanni Martine (Tenor); "Falkat"—Sul Fil D'Un Soffio Eletto... Totti Dal Monte (Soprano) and Members of La Scala Orchestra, Milan.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hongkong Hotel.

1. Whispers in the Dark; 2. Public Melody No. 1; 3. Stop! You're breaking my Heart; 4. Melody in F.

10.10 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

10.15 5. Lovely One; 6. Turn on That Red Hot Heat; 7. That Old Feeling; 8. Blue Danube.

10.30 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

10.40 9. Half Way to Heaven; 10. Dream of Love; 11. Wouldn't It

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EASY VICTORY OVER TAIKOO LAST EVENING

ST. ANDREW'S DEFEATED BY KOWLOON TONG

(By "Abe")

Club de Recreio "A" players again demonstrated their superiority in the Mixed Doubles Badminton League last night when, playing well within themselves, they defeat Taikoo by eight games to one. Due to the one-sidedness of the encounter, there was little good badminton and the game, on the whole, was a disappointment.

The only pair to drop a game were L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro, who were beaten by 21-10 by G. A. Smith and Miss R. Summers in the last round. With due respect to Smith and Miss Summers, both of whom admittedly were showing gradual improvement as the match progressed, the Portuguese pair lost because both of them had become careless as the result of the earlier successes of the team.

I was rather disappointed with the Taikoo players last night. When I saw them against the University in their opening match, they were badly beaten; but then they revealed promise of better things which have not been fulfilled. True enough, C. Howard, probably their best man player, but they now have G. A. Smith who, even if he is not quite as good as Howard, is not far behind. Furthermore, Miss Fraser was not in the side at the time and she is back now.

What struck me most forcibly whilst watching the match was the fact that the Taikoo ladies did not seem to be trying enough. Sometimes they would deal faithfully with a bad shot from their opponents, but on the whole they were far too lethargic—a falling which is fatal at badminton. Even when their partners were palpably out of positions, they made little or no attempt to cover up and this gave the Recreio players a decided advantage.

GREATEST OFFENDERS

The greatest offenders in this regard were Miss Summers and Miss Fraser, whose partners, Smith and Keown respectively, thus had a greater burden on their shoulders. Miss Cunningham was the only one of the three who attempted to give her partner backing, but unfortunately S. Newman was playing a poor game and the combination, therefore, was not as formidable as it might have been.

Until one sees the Recreio team against a stronger side, one finds little to say about the players. In M. A. Oliveira, J. J. Remedios and L. A. Carvalho, they have three of the best mixed doubles players in the Colony; and their ladies, Miss M. Silva, Miss O. Ribeiro and Miss M. Ribeiro balance up the side very well indeed. The only two teams capable of extending them are University and the Free Lancers, but I doubt if either of these teams is capable of beating them. If the University ladies were a little better, however, I would not care to bet on the result. Well, we'll see!

SAINT'S LOSE NARROWLY

It was particularly unfortunate for St. Andrew's that just when

Important Match Postponed

The important tie between the Club de Recreio "A" and the Chinese Y.M.C.A., scheduled to be played on Monday, has been postponed to Saturday, December 11, at 6.30 p.m. The game will be played at the Club de Recreio.

W. C. Choy and Mrs. Stokes had got into the team to strengthen it—this pair won all three games—E. F. Fincher and Miss F. Wong should fall so badly. Fincher and Miss Wong, who have been playing very well together of late, managed only one game against Kowloon Tong last night and were unable to pull the side through. Kowloon Tong pairings were just a wee bit better balanced than the Saints, and the team was thus able to win by the odd set.

Scores:

RECREIO "A" v. TAIKOO

Recreio "A" beat Taikoo eight-one in the mixed doubles of the Badminton League yesterday.

M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva (Recreio) beat G. A. Smith and Miss R. Summers 21-10; beat E. F. Fincher and Miss F. Wong 21-10; beat S. Newman and Miss M. Cunningham 21-10.

J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro beat Smith and Miss Summers 21-10; beat Keown and Miss Fraser 21-10; beat Newman and Miss Cunningham 21-11.

L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro lost to Smith and Miss Summers 19-21; beat Keown and Miss Fraser 21-10; beat Newman and Miss Cunningham 21-10.

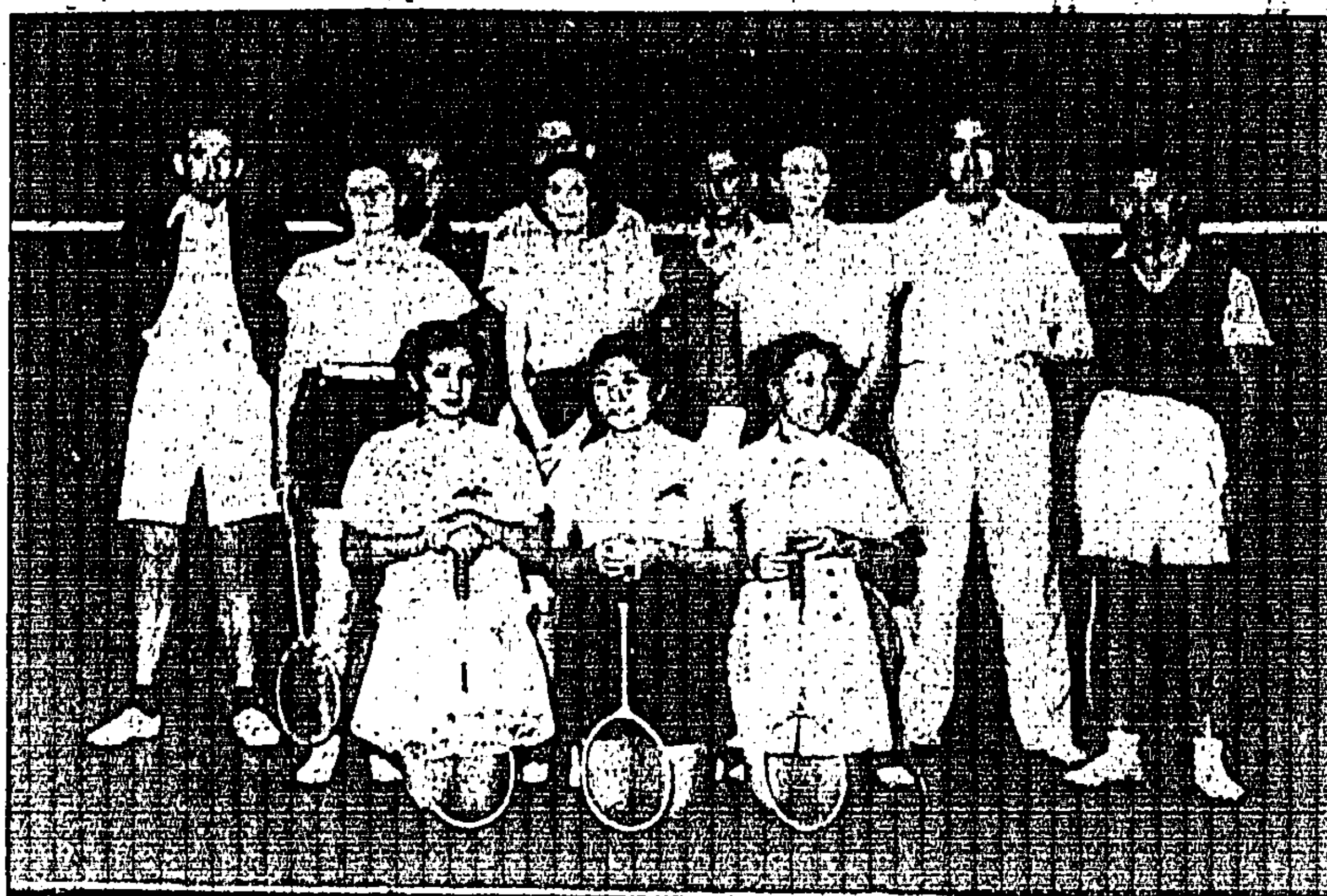
K. TONG v. ST. ANDREW'S

Kowloon Tong beat St. Andrew's 5-1. R. F. Lee and Miss M. Xavier (Kowloon Tong) beat F. V. Wong and Miss M. Chum 21-7; beat E. F. Fincher and Miss F. Wong 21-10; beat W. C. Choy and Mrs. Stokes 7-21.

N. A. E. Mackay and Mrs. A. E. H. Castro beat Wong and Miss Chum 21-11; beat Fincher and Miss Wong 21-14; lost to Choy and Mrs. Stokes 11-21.

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Recreio "A"	2	2	0	0	17	1	4
Free Lancers	2	2	0	0	11	7	4
Kowloon Tong	3	2	1	0	17	10	4
University	1	1	0	0	9	2	2
St. Andrew's	3	1	2	0	9	18	2
Recreio "B"	1	0	1	0	4	5	0
Taikoo	4	0	4	0	5	31	0



Group photo taken of the players who participated last evening in the Mixed Doubles Badminton match between the Club de Recreio "A" and Taikoo at King's Park.

GERMAN TENNIS ACES IN MANILA

THRILL ENTHUSIASTS WITH FINE EXHIBITION

Manila, Nov. 30. Sizzling baseline drives, pretty chop strokes on the part of Henner Henkel, beautiful placements and other shots that are in the category of star tennis players, were plentiful at the Rizal Tennis Stadium last night when Baron Gottfried Von Cramm and Henner Henkel, international German net aces took the court against local luminaries.

Henkel opened the evening's gala tennis programme with a convincing victory over A. Sanchez, number two ranking Filipino player, by the score of 6-0. Von Cramm, world's number two ranking amateur player, downed number one L. Gavia by 6-3, 6-1.

In the doubles the German duo was pitted against the national champions, Zamora and Diy. Zamora got off to an erratic start that brought out a bit of unsportsmanlike booing on the part of a very few spectators who evidently couldn't come to the conclusion that the national champions were up against two of the world's finest. The Germans sailed through the first set in easy fashion, 6-0, but in the second set the Filipinos tightened up and a fine exhibition was handed out, resulting in a 7-5 win for the visitors.

With the count 4-5 against them in the second and last set, Zamora deuced the count at 5-11 with a dandy backhand cross-court shot. Three net balls by the Filipino team in a row gave the Germans the advantage at 6-5.

Zamora served the final game, Von Cramm netted a return and Henkel drove one outside to make it 30-love. A fine backhand placement, deep to the baseline, made it 30-15. A hard return by Von Cramm was metted by Zamora and the count was 30-10 and Von Cramm drove a hard drive at Zamora that the latter failed to return. Henkel's nice drive down the side-line ended the set.

SINGLES MATCH

The evening's finale was a scintillating exhibition by Von Cramm and Henkel in a one-set match, the former winning, 6-2, after taking the first five games in a row.

The evening was tennis de luxe. The hardest shots looked easy and the crowd saw plenty of court tactics as they liked it.

Contrary to first reports, the German stars will be able to play again this evening, starting at 8.00 p.m. sharp. Their boat doesn't sail until midnight thus giving them time to make their second and last appearance. Fraulein Horn, German woman's champion, will also be seen in action for the first time against Philippines champion, Miss Mindu Ochoa.—Manila Bulletin.

Hollywood Not Wasting Any Time

Hollywood, Nov. 23. Captain George Eyston, the British automobile driver who, only a few days ago, broke the world speed record at Bonneville Salt Flats, was today offered a leading role in a film dealing with racing by Warner Bros. The film, which only a few days ago travelled faster than any other on land was asked by Warner Bros. to take part in a film dealing with the progress of motor car racing. It was assumed that he would play the leading role and be featured in thrilling racing events breaking world records.—United Press.

SELECTIONS FOR RACES TO-DAY

Gladiator Tipped To Win

(By "Captain Foster")

There are eight races in to-day's meeting and my selections are as follows:

"EWO" HANDICAP (UNOFFICIAL)

Mr. Butler's mount
Mr. Landale's mount
Mr. Hill's mount

AULD REEKIE HANDICAP

Gladiator
Oak Bay
Soldier of Britain

ST. ANDREW'S STAKES

Dawn Star
New Star
Rose-Queen

SAUGHTON HANDICAP

Strathroy
Lancashire Chips
Electron

DUMBIEDYKES HANDICAP FIRST SECTION

Laughing Girl
Sylvandale
Ythan

MURRAYFIELD HANDICAP

Australian Boy
Aztec
Katinka

DUNSAPIE HANDICAP

Araxy
Whiskey
National Anthem

DUMBIEDYKES HANDICAP SECOND SECTION

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Good Morning
Valorous

DAILY DOUBLE EVENT

Laughing Girl/Araxy

"EWO" HANDICAP

The following entries, jockeys and handicaps for the "Ewo" Handicap race to-day have been announced:

Air Mail (R. W. Bateman), 150 yards; Defensive War (G. Hill), 200 yards; Donovan (G. H. Gompertz), 100 yards; Emergency Call (E. O. Butler), 50 yards; Morning Tip (H. F. Hopkins), 200 yards; National Faith (E. A. Gaubert), 150 yards; National Spirit (F. Nicholls), scratch; Ocean View (D. F. Landale), 100 yards.

RUGBY TOURNEY

The annual Triangular Rugby Tournament will start this afternoon with a match between the Navy and the Army at Sookunpoo, commencing at 4 p.m. At 2.45 p.m. the Club "A" XV will play an Army "A" XV.

EXHIBITION SOCCER THIS AFTERNOON

ROYAL ULSTER RIFLES PLAY REST OF THE COLONY

(By "Abe")

First Division League Football will have to take a back seat this week-end. Actually not a single game has been arranged in this section; but local enthusiasts should not be disappointed as an exhibition match has been arranged for this afternoon between the Royal Ulster Rifles, champions of last season, and the Rest of the Colony.

The Ulsters have only just returned to Hongkong from Shanghai and will be leaving again on December 9. They were quite successful during their short stay. In the northern city, and if they have not lost the form which carried them to the championship during the 1936-37 season, a very good game should be seen to-day. The match will be played on the Navy ground, Causeway Bay, at 3.45 p.m.

A strong team has been selected to represent the "Rest." Pile, the back, will captain the team and according to the original selections will have Costa as his partner at left back. I understand, however, that the lanky St. Joseph's player has not quite got over a recent injury, and it is possible that A. J. Hussain, another Saints' defender, will be brought into the side. If this is so, I suggest that Hussain be given the right back berth and that Pile should go left. This would be fairer to both these are the two players' normal positions, anyway. I have been particularly pleased to see Pile given recognition. I was one of the first to point out that Chris had lost his form; now I would like to be one of the first to say that he has got over his bad patch.

S. CHINA "B" HALVES
The half-back line is all South China "B." Leung In-chun, Lim Tak-po and Chia Kam-hung. The unbeaten record of their team has been attributed to the fine performances of these three, and I am sure they will not be found wanting to-day. If any doubts exist, they are in the forwards, who will be playing together for the first time. Cooley, McGulgan, Howells, Howlett and Hau Ching-to individually are five of the best footballers in the Colony at the present time, but how they will combine together as a unit is the question. The selectors have been brave enough to put Howells of the R.A.M.C., a Third Division team, in the centre forward berth. As everyone connected with local soccer knows, Howells is definitely not a Third Division player, judging by local standards; but it is a bit of an experiment if placing him among people with whom he has seldom ever played before.

KOTEWALL CUP
To-morrow on the same ground, South China A.A. will meet the Army in the Kotewall Cup. The Chinese have selected a very strong eleven for this encounter and seem to be determined to beat the military side.

With Rowlands in the Army goal, it is fairly certain that the Chinese will not score many goals unless the defence completely cracks up. After seeing Webster and Sheehan as a combination, I personally do not feel too safe about them. They do not seem to cover each other very well, and they leave too much of a gap

down the middle. These weaknesses are fatal against the nippy Chinese forwards.

The intermediates inspire the greatest confidence. Evans, Bright and McCusker are three sound men, who are fully capable of stopping the Chinese attack. It is a tribute to Bright's play that he has been chosen as centre-half over such good Army pivots as McCusker, Spiers and Courtney. I saw him play against the Police in a mid-week League game recently and he impressed me as a centre-half of the right type. I hope he will do himself justice to-morrow. The centre-half position is probably the weakest in the Colony at the present time, and if Bright shines he may be the man we have been looking for to fill this berth in representative matches.

The forward line of Pearson, Watson, Izzard, McGulgan and Thompson is an entirely new combination to me. Pearson was formerly a centre-forward and Watson a back!

TEAMS SELECTED
Rest of Colony.—Tam Kwan-hon; Pile (Capt.), Costa; Leung In-chun, Lim Tak-po, Chia Kam-hung; Cooley, McGulgan, Howells, Howlett and Hau Ching-to.
Army.—Rowlands; Webster, Sheehan; Evans, Bright, McCusker; Pearson, Watson, Izzard, McGulgan and Thompson.

South China A.A.—Wong Wing; Mak Shiu-hon, Li Tin-sang; Leung Wing-chiu, Lau Hing-choi, Chia Kam-hung; Yeung Shui-yick, Chan Tuk-fai, Fung King-cheong, Lai Shiu-wing and Cheung Moon-wing.

LADIES' TENNIS TITLES

Semi-Final Ties This Week-End

The semi-finals of the ladies' tennis championships of the Colony, organized by the United Services R.C., will be decided over the week-end.

This afternoon the doubles will be played, commencing at 3 p.m. Miss Rose Perry and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu, the holders, clash with Mrs. Rice-Evans and Miss Griffiths, and a very good game should result. In the other match, Mrs. Holmes and Miss Taylor will play Mrs. Stokes and Mrs. Shirley.

The semi-finals of the singles will be decided to-morrow afternoon, starting at 3 p.m. Miss Perry meets Mrs. Oliver and Mrs. Chiu will play Miss Griffiths.



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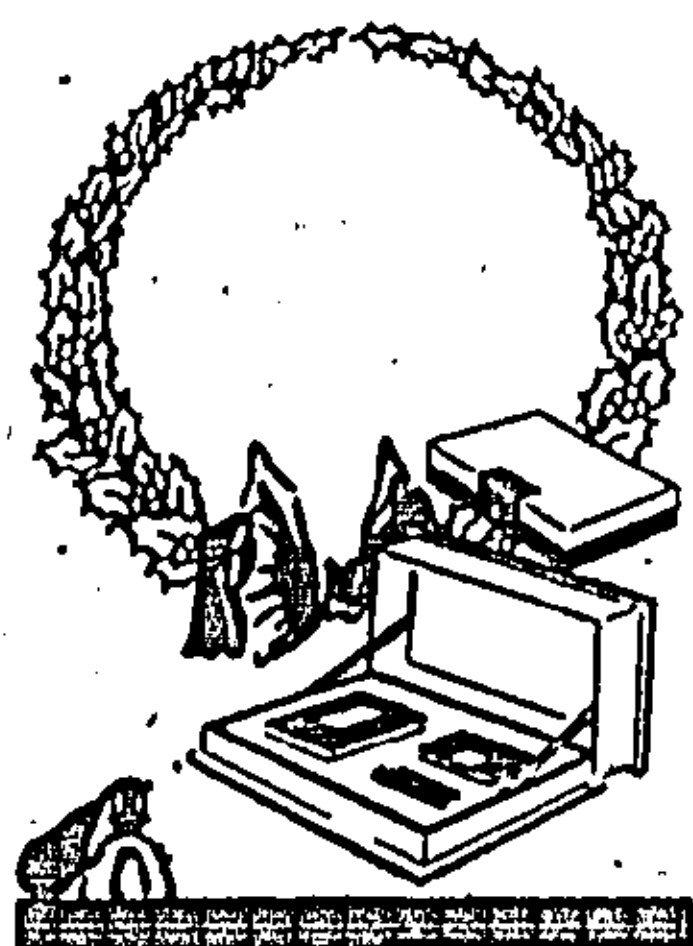
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MUCH ADO ABOUT A TACKLE

By CHARLES DUCHAN

It seems that when I brought up the subject of the sliding tackle, I raised a storm about my head. I am glad of this because it has done one thing; it has brought the matter to the notice of the authorities. Something will have to be done sooner or later and the more the subject is mentioned, the quicker it will be dealt with.

Many opinions have been asked and many arguments raised about the sliding tackle, but nearly all deal with it in the category of rough play. It is nothing of the sort. The tackle is legitimate provided the player intends to play the ball. It is not because it is rough or unfair that the sliding tackle should be abolished, but because it slows up the game, destroys combination by making players part hurriedly with the ball, and, most important of all, is the cause of many injuries.

It can be done quite easily by a revision of the laws, now 60 years old and quite out of date. Last summer there was a proposal to rewrite the laws in simpler and plainer language, and it will be done soon. That is not enough. They will have to be remodelled and brought in line with present-day methods.

Not one of the present 17 laws is clear-cut or decisive. There is no plain definition of obstruction, tackling or charging. Even the laws relating to off-side, fouling and handling the ball are not definite. They all place the onus of deciding whether an offence has been committed on the poor referee.

When the F.A. do make up their minds to overhaul the laws I am convinced we shall see a big improvement in both the standard of play and refereeing. Then that harassed official will go on the field not as a mind-reader, but as one who knows exactly what he has to do.

During the past few weeks I have spoken to several club managers and one topic of conversation has been the player motor-car owner. Many of the managers feel strongly that no player on contract with a club should be allowed to drive a car; some of them have gone so far as to forbid their players to drive. Soon there will be a big scare-cry. The injuries received by Ellis Rimmer, the Sheffield Wednesday outside-left, a few days ago has brought matters to a head.

There are two sides to every question. As a player, I can sympathise with the players who feel they are being treated differently from other people and are being interfered with unduly. But I can also see the club's point of view. Is it right they should be subject to the risk of having one of the star players—perhaps one for whom they have paid several thousands pounds—put out of action by some means outside the game? Remember, they would have to pay the injured player's wages according to his contract.

NEXT WEEK'S FIXTURES

Badminton League

The following are the Badminton League fixtures for the coming week:

MONDAY

"A" Division
King's College v. St. Andrew's University "B"
University "B" v. University "A"
"B" Division
St. Andrew's v. Chinese R.C.

Mixed Doubles
Kowloon Tong v. University

WEDNESDAY

"B" Division
Kowloon Tong v. Free Lances

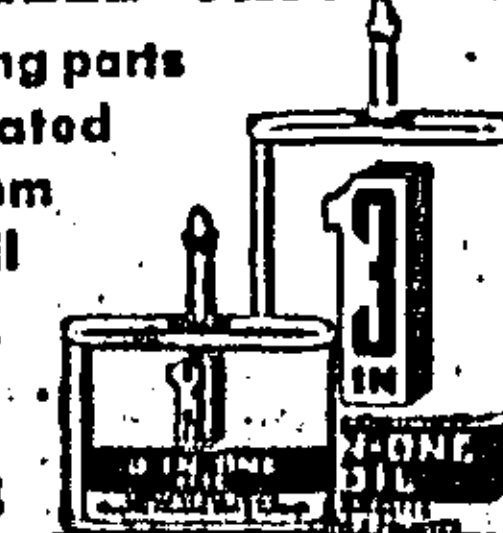
FRIDAY

Mixed Doubles
St. Andrew's v. Free Lances
Kowloon Tong v. Recreation "B"
Recreation "A" v. University

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THIS PSYCHOLOGY IDEA IN FOOTBALL Where It Would Be A Help

By Arbiter (Frank M. Carruthers)

Clubs, it is said, are now practising the science of psychology, but I am not sure what is meant by this. Neither are they. It may be that it is more than a study of temperament, and this has been described simply as common sense.

If the players are to be regarded with more human sympathy and an attempt made to understand more fully their reactions to the disappointments of the game and the life within it, it will be for the general good.

One golden rule may be laid down. The better the player the more susceptible he is to disturbing influences. The higher he has climbed the more damaging to his morale is a fall.

Try to imagine the feelings of the players as they were dressing after the recent match at Blackpool against the Irish League. They knew that the selectors were then choosing the sides for the trial. Would they be picked? The experienced player, does not deceive himself. He knows whether he has played well or poorly and yet so conflicting are the views of those who sit in judgment that he can never be sure of the verdict.

Felt His Position

Then came the teams. Imagine against the feelings of those who had been left out. There was one who obviously felt his position acutely. "Don't worry," I told him. "Everyone else thinks you played well."

His face lit up. "It's kind of you to tell me that," he said. I even assured him that he was sure to play against Ireland, and he is bound now to think that I had some secret information, whereas I realised that a strong influence would be required to persuade the selectors to change their estimate of his value to the side.

Much the same thing happened after the trial match on the Everton ground. One of the players chosen to go to Belfast to-night said to me when he heard he had been picked, "My fairy godmother must have been watching over me to-day." He left no doubt that in his view he had been extremely fortunate.

Should Be Told

It would save a deal of heartburning if it could be explained to a man why he had been omitted from a national team. No established player should be dropped out of his club side without being told why, and the blow should be softened before the list is posted in the dressing-room. He would then not be left to slink away convinced that all the forces of a harsh world were unfairly arrayed against him.

The dropping of a player is lightly told as if it were of small moment, but there has never been one with ambition who has not felt humbled and aggrieved when he has been left out, unless he realises that his form has gone and that a rest will help him to recover it. Always, however, it is essential that there should be frankness on the part of those who have to make the decision.

Players feel the reflection of being dropped more to-day than ever before, owing to the publicity and increased interest taken in them. They never enjoy any privacy.

BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Hongkong University Win School Crown

The Hongkong Schools Basketball League, run by the Hongkong Basketball Association, has been won by the Hongkong University with 16 points. They have won eight encounters, and lost once. Wah Nam College and St. Joseph's College are second with 14 points each.

In the Junior Division of the same league St. Paul's College are first without being beaten; while Wah Yan College "A" team is second, with one defeat.

On Monday, December 6, the champion team of the First Division will play an exhibition match against the Rest of the Schools, after which Mr. David Au, the President of the Chinese Y.M.C.A., will distribute the prizes to the two champion teams, at 4.30 p.m., at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. gymnasium.

The following are the results of the Students' League:

Senior Division			
	W.	L.	Pts.
Hongkong University	8	1	16
Wah Nam College	7	2	14
St. Joseph's College	7	2	14
St. Paul's College	6	3	12
Wah Tai College	5	4	10
Fong Lam College	4	5	8
Wah Yan College	3	6	6
King's College	3	6	6
Sai Nam College	2	7	4
Chung Nam College	0	9	0
Junior Division			
	W.	L.	Pts.
St. Paul's College	5	0	10
Wah Yan College (A)	4	1	8
Sai Nam College	3	2	6
King's College	2	3	4
Wah Yan College (B)	1	4	2
Queen's College	0	5	0

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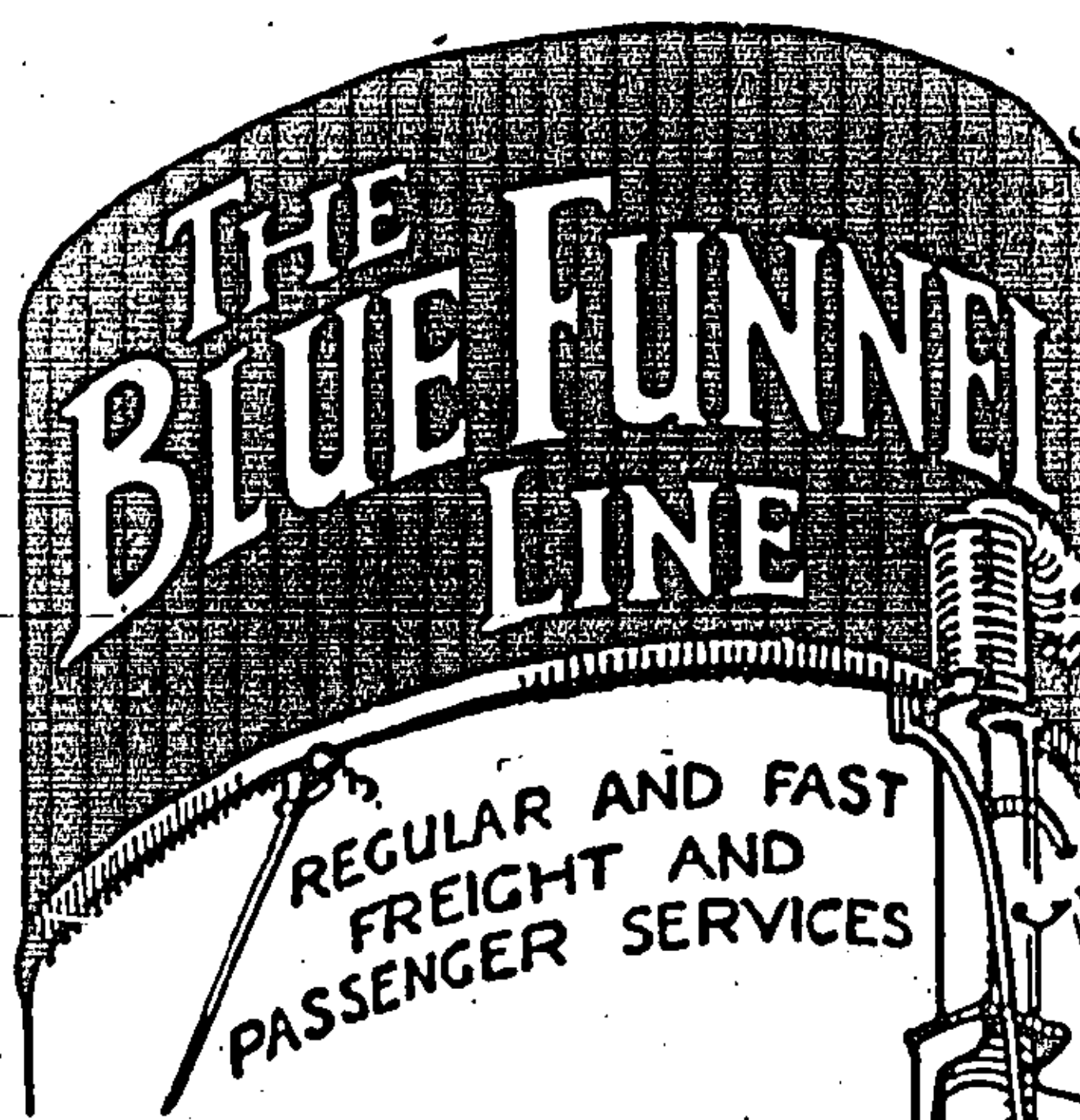
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ENGLISH MENTAL HOME ESCAPE

PRINCE SEIF EL DIN, the Egyptian prince who made a sensational escape from a mental home in the South of England in 1925, has died.

Prince Ahmed Self el Din, brother-in-law of the late King Fuad of Egypt, was born in 1891. He first came into prominence in his own country when he was 17. Believing that Prince (later King) Fuad was mistreating his sister, he rushed into the fashionable Mohamed Ali Club in Cairo and fired a revolver at his brother-in-law who was sitting in the lounge.

PENAL SERVITUDE

Prince Fund fell with a wound in his throat and his assailant was arrested. For this attempt Prince Self el Din was sentenced to seven years penal servitude, later reduced to four years. When he had served two years, however, it was announced that he had been removed to an Egyptian asylum because imprisonment had affected his mind.

Later the Prince was sent to England where he became an inmate of a private mental home at Titchhurst, Sussex. There he lived in comparative peace for a number of years though he was unable to enjoy his enormous yearly income said to amount to some £200,000.

SUDDEN ESCAPE

Several appeals for his release were made by his mother and influential Turkish officials but to no purpose.

Then in 1925 the Prince suddenly disappeared. For a time neither his whereabouts nor the manner of his flight were known. Even his legal position as a patient at Titchhurst was vague.

It is said that the escape was engineered by an American who was in league with the Prince's friends in Egypt.

While on a trip to Hastings accompanied by two attendants the Prince mingled with holiday-makers on the pier and crossed the Channel as a day tripper on a pleasure steamer. Met at Boulogne by a car, Self el Din proceeded to Paris where he joined his mother, the Princess Neodjwani and together they travelled to Constantinople via Italy.

Upheaval was caused in Egypt by the Prince's escape and this culminated in the dismissal of the Cabinet.

In 1928 Prince Self el Din was debarred from suing the British Government for £4,000,000 for illegal detention because the three English doctors engaged by his mother had been forbidden by the Turkish Government to examine the Prince in order to prove his sanity.

In 1933 Prince Self el Din married the daughter of the former Governor of Istanbul (Constantinople) and settled in the Turkish capital.

The Egyptian Royal Court immediately decided that this marriage was null and void and communicated their decision to the Turkish Civil Courts. The decision was given on the grounds that the Prince was insane and at the same time it was stated that any children born of the marriage would not be considered legal heirs. A son was born about a year after the marriage.

HISTORIC PETITION TO TSAR

Sequel To Rasputin Murder

The existence in England of what is believed to be an historic Russian document has been brought to light by the recent publication of the Tsar's letters in *The Daily Telegraph* and *Morning Post*.

It is the original petition addressed to the Tsar by members of the Imperial family on behalf of the Grand Duke Dmitri Pavlovich when he was exiled to Persia after the murder of Rasputin.

The petition was signed by 18 members of the Romanov family. It was originally in the possession of one who was closely associated with the Rasputin affair. On his death it was given to a relative who now lives in England.

"YOUR STERN DECISION"

The Tsar's letters in *The Daily Telegraph* and *Morning Post* covered the period during which, in December, 1916, Rasputin was murdered. The petition reads:

Your Imperial Majesty, All of us, whose signatures you will read at the end of this letter, warmly and earnestly beseech you to soften your stern decision with regard to the fate of the Grand Duke Dmitri Pavlovich. We know that he is physically ill, profoundly shaken, morally shattered.

You, as his Patron and Highest Protector, know what heart-felt love he has always had for you, his Sovereign, and for our Motherland. We implore your Imperial Majesty, in view of the youth and truly weak health of the Grand Duke Pavlovich, to allow him to reside at Ousoff (his father's) or, if possible, at the Grand Duke Serge's, later the Grand Duke Dmitri's.

"COMPLETE MARTYRDOM"

Your Imperial Majesty must be aware of the unpleasant circumstances in which are situated our troops in Persia, through absence of comforts, epidemics and other hardships of humanity; for the Grand Duke Dmitri Pavlovich to stay there would be equivalent to complete martyrdom, and pity must surely be awakened in your Imperial Majesty's heart for this youth whom you loved, who from his childhood has had the good fortune to be often by your side, and for whom you were as kind as a father.

May God inspire your Imperial Majesty to alter your decision and replace anger by mercy.

Deeply devoted to your Imperial Majesty,

Your very loving,
Olga
Mary
Cyril
Victoria
Boris
Andrew
Paul
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Elizabeth

TSAR'S CURT REFUSAL

The Tsar's reply was a curt refusal. On the margin of the petition he wrote in his own hand:

"No one has the right to dabble in murder; I know that several people are suffering from their conscience, as Dmitri Pavlovich is not the only one involved in this. I am surprised at your appeal to me."

"NICHOLAS."

HOW TO KEEP OUT OF PRISON

Ten tips on "How to keep Out of Prison" were given at a conference of prison workers by Cyril Clancy, an official of the Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society.

In order of importance, he says:

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2. If you have done so, tighten things up before something serious happens.
3. Don't marry on the love impulse only.
4. Choose a wife of prudence and virtue rather than one who looks charming in a bathing costume.
5. Don't pretend to be more than you are.
6. Don't run a car unless you are financially secure.
7. Remember, racecourses are not maintained for your financial betterment.
8. Beer and wine cheer the heart of man—it is their misuse that brings so many within prison gates.
9. If you are out of a job a prison conviction won't help you to find one.
10. Life won't last forever—go straight while there is time.—United Press.

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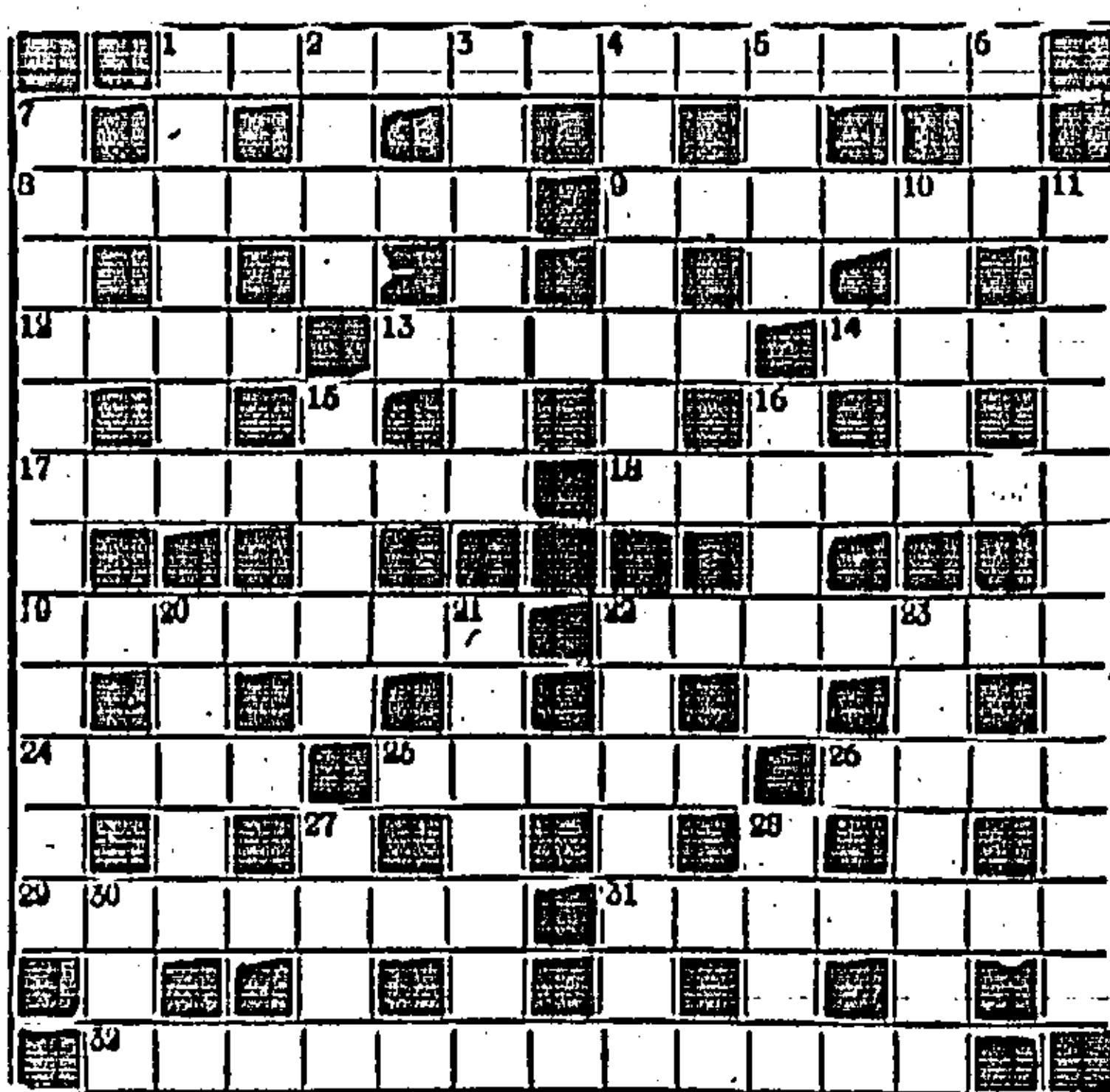
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8 A building matter (7).
9 Far from spot and span (7).
12 A little bit by a former graduate apparently (4).
13 Lure (6).
14 Sigma known in music (4).
17 A little musical company (7).
18 Except, perhaps lacking (two words—5, 2).
20 Simple description of some modern sculpture (7).
22 Commonly a clever fellow (at catching flatfish perhaps) (7).
24 In a recd this is sold in small quantities (4).
25 Alice in Wonderland's cat (5).
26 Half of the weaver's work (4).
28 Far from vulgar and grand (in recd) (7).
31 Shelter (7).
32 Alone, but not necessarily maimed (12).

- DOWN
1 The place to get a car suit from (7).
2 Make of car that starts a fabulous creature (4).
3 Colouring matter mainly made by swineherds (7).
4 Epithet for the coster who cries his wares (7).
5 This dog is common in the North Country (4).
6 A canine cry (3).
7 A football player, not a champion footballer (12).

- 10 Fine (5).
11 This political question of former days might suggest cheaper or dearer price (two words—6, 6).
15 There has become a useful liquid here (5).
16 This passage is known to M.P.s (5).
20 Procrastination is this of time, they say (5).
21 Slender count of revolution (7).
22 This Greek coin would make a weight in England (7).
23 Double (7).
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28 Shaw follows this to be a help to travellers (4).
30 German river (3).

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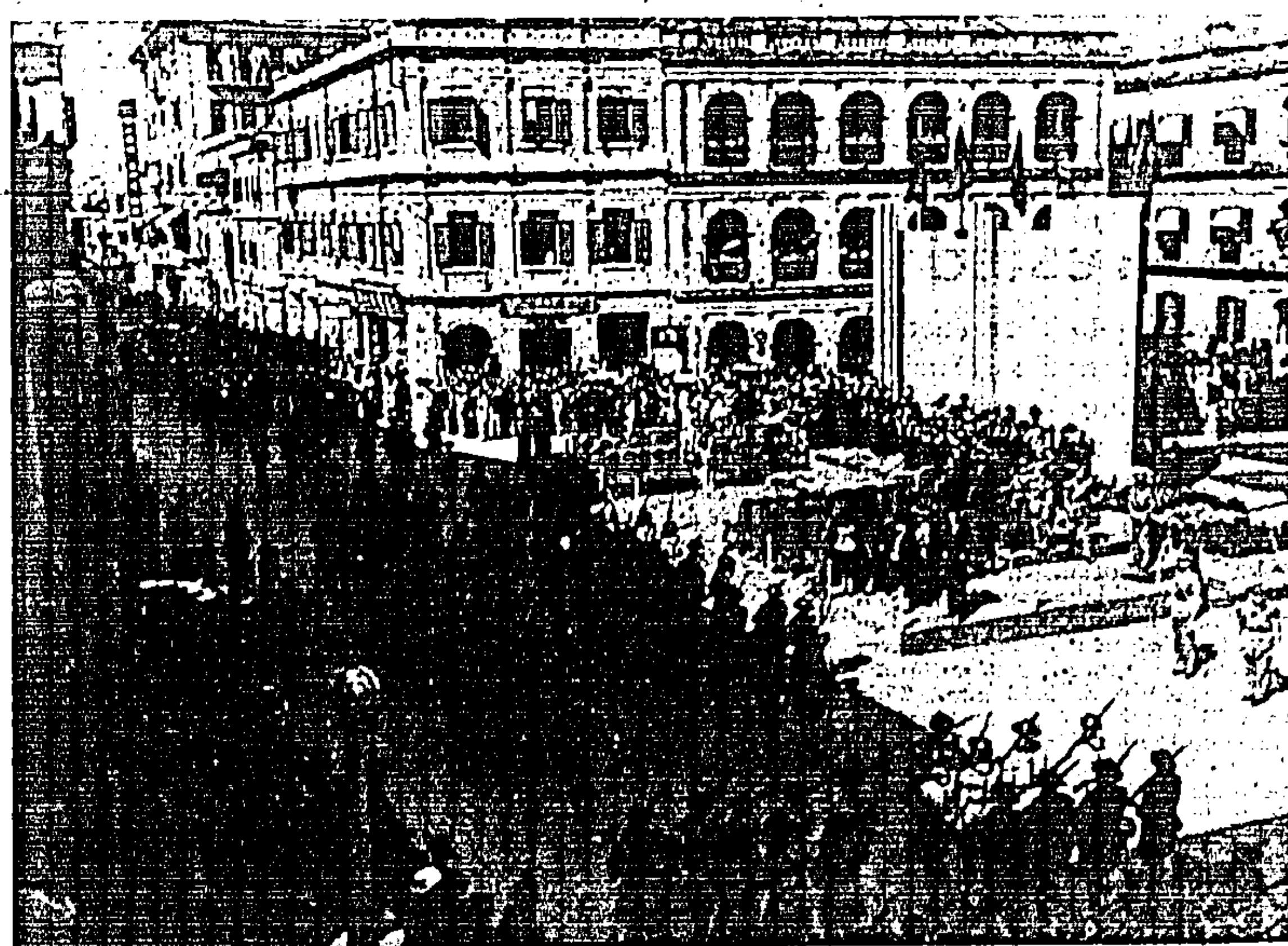
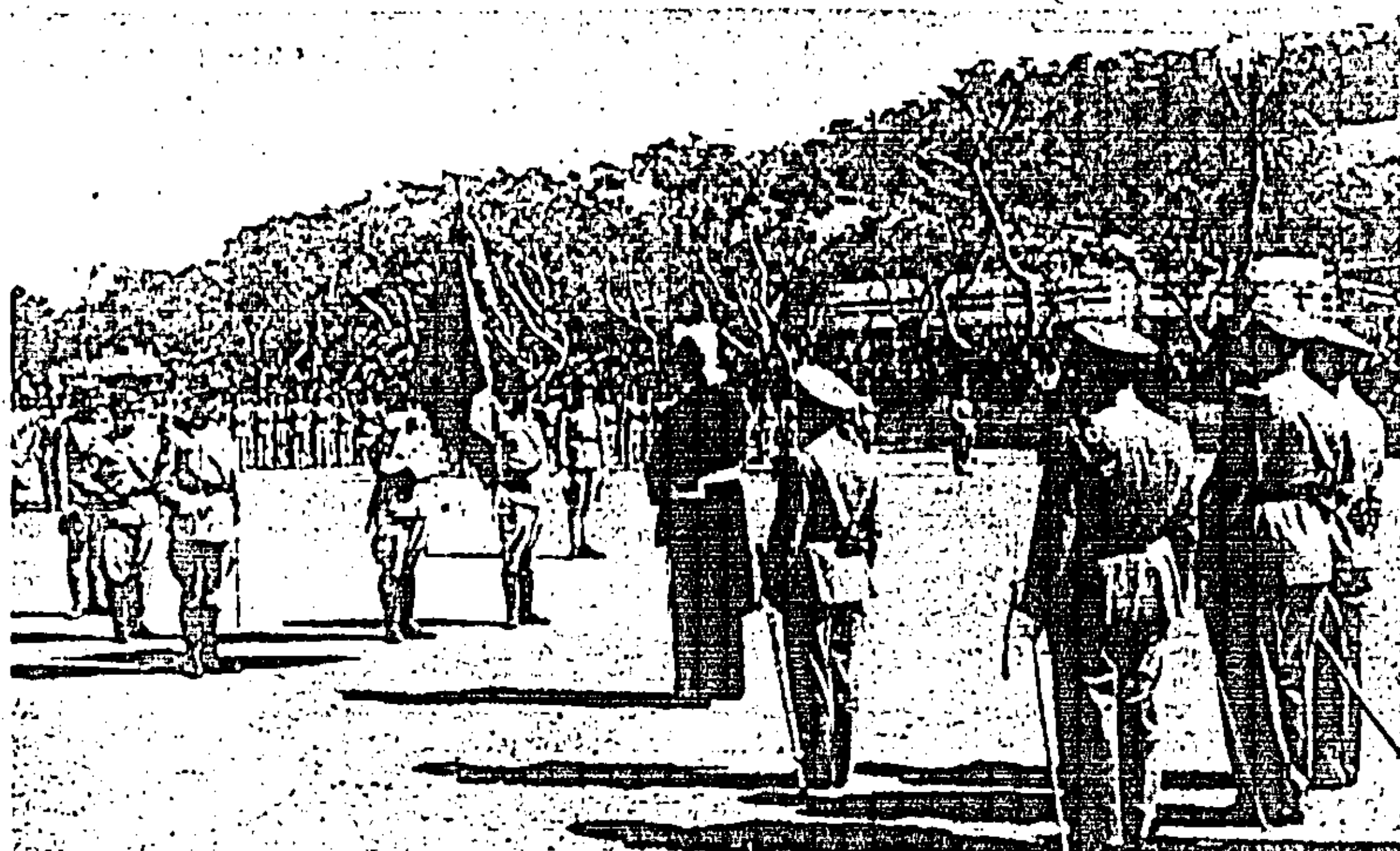
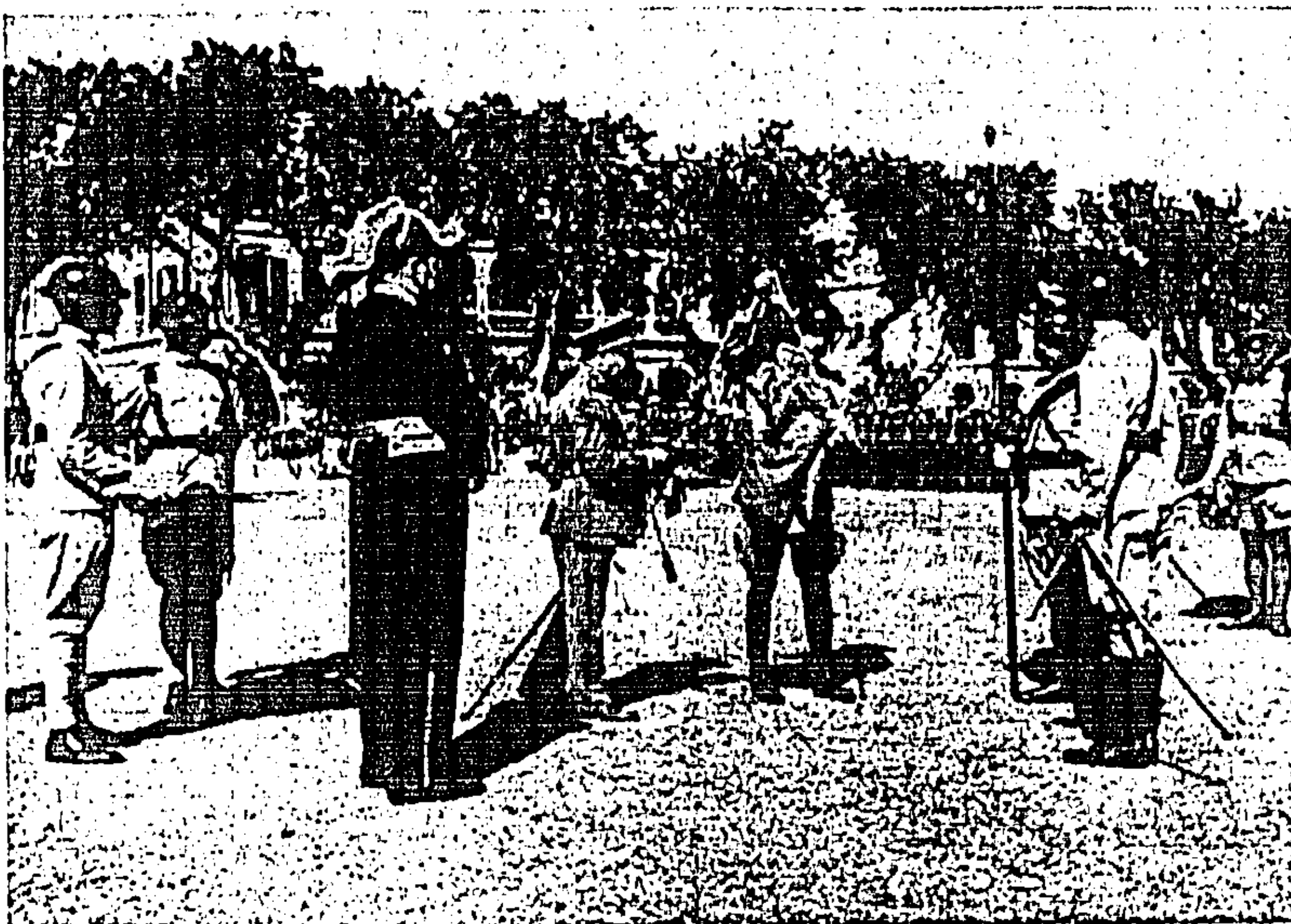
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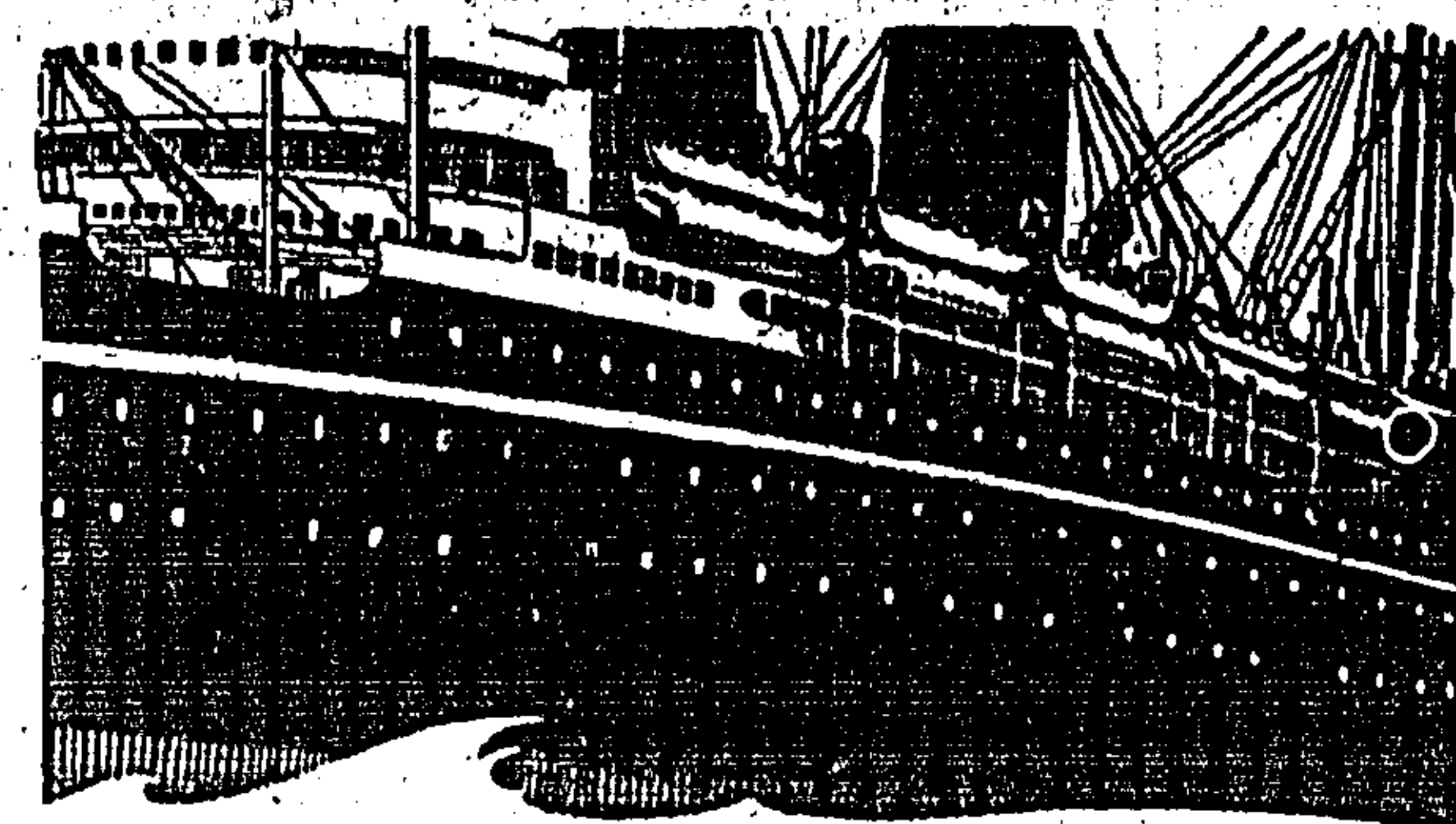
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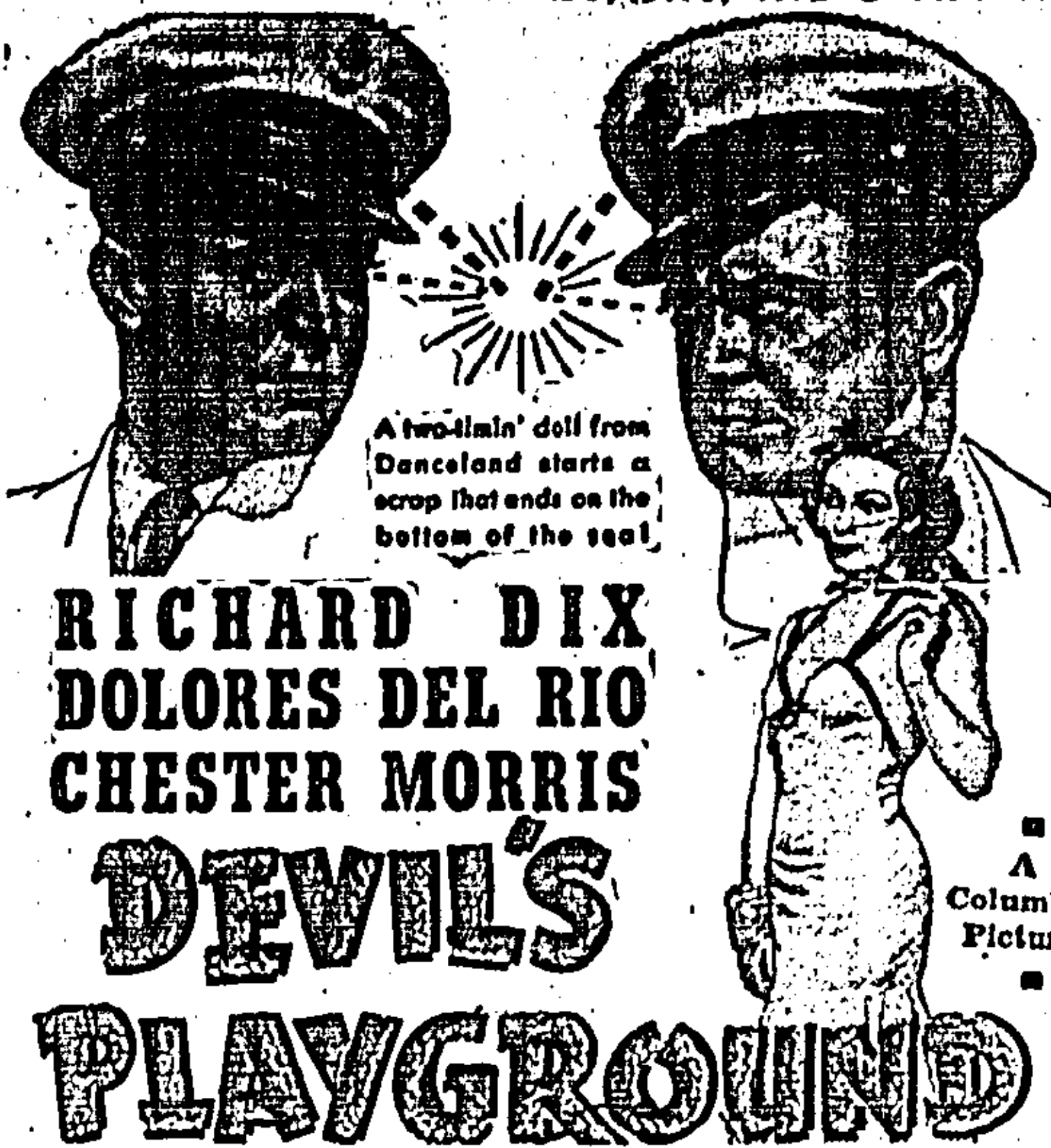
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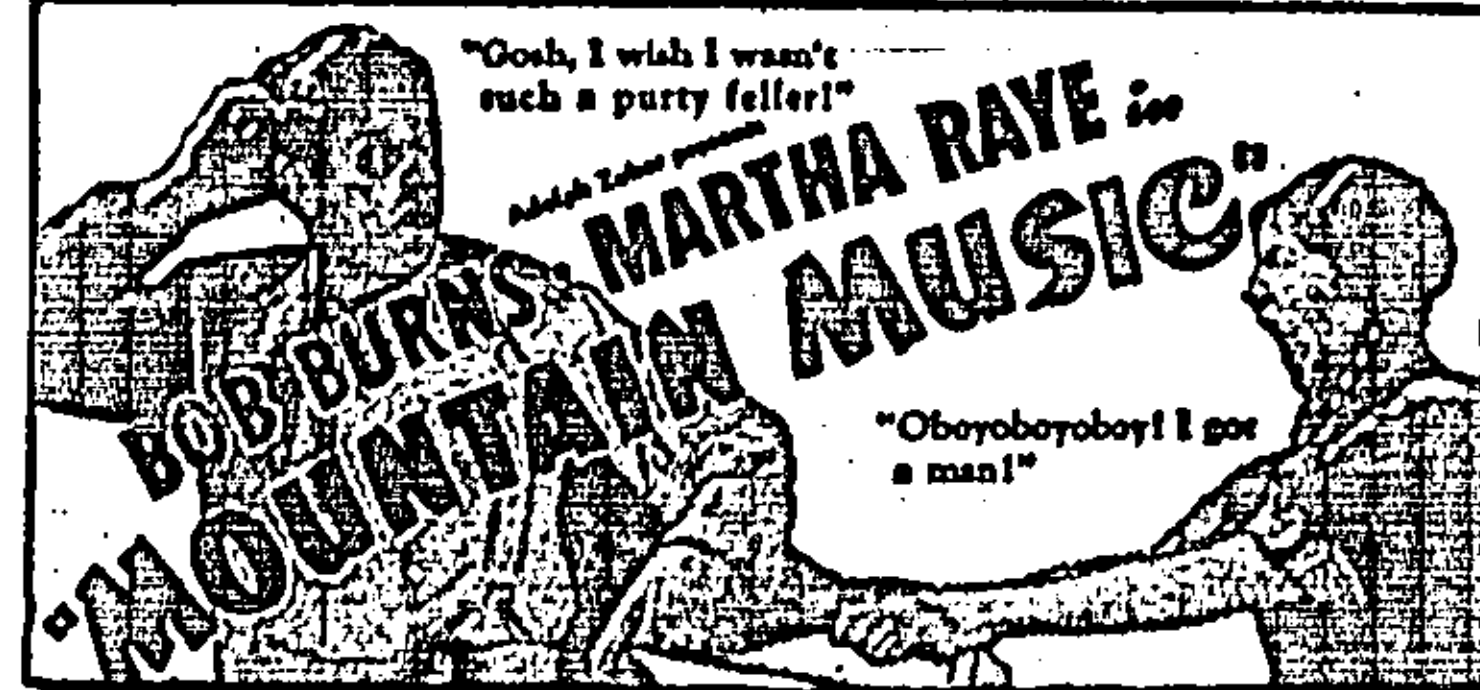
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HAZARDOUS TRIP
FROM HANKOW

London, Dec. 3.
The British Embassy in China is being moved to Shanghai for the time being and the Charge d'Affaires, Mr. R. G. Howe and the Embassy party to-day left Hankow for Hongkong. Mr. B. E. F. Gage is remaining to maintain contact with the Chinese Foreign Office.

The party left Wuchang which is opposite Hankow by train this morning. Special accommodation has been attached to this train for the party which consists of six men and five women. On the roofs of the coaches a Union Jack has been painted. Before departure notification was made to the Japanese authorities who have given assurance that every care will be taken to safeguard the train. A party from the French Consulate are also travelling by the same train. The first part of the journey will take about two days, and the remainder from Hongkong to Shanghai will be made by a sea voyage occupying several days.—British Wireless.

Anxious For Contacts In Australia

London, Dec. 3.
In a speech at Newport, Monmouth, to-night, the Lord Privy Seal referred to his forthcoming visit to Australia for the 150th anniversary celebrations. He said he looked forward to taking part in the celebrations but even more to meeting statesmen, traders and industrialists of that great country. Perhaps he would be pardoned for saying that most of all he looked forward to meeting the farmers of Australia born and bred like himself in the countryside.

Lord De La Warr continued: "We in this country have seen a great deal of Australian statesmen in the last few years. Their visits have not only enhanced the reputation of their country but have increased our understanding of them and their problems. With British peoples it is not laws and constitutions that count. It is the understanding that exists between nations, between classes, and between individuals that really counts with us. If I am able to contribute to the mutual understanding that already exists between our two British peoples I shall feel my visit to have been worth while."—British Wireless.

New Alarm System To Be Tested

Hongkong is to hear another alarm system tested on Monday. The following communiqué was issued by the Government last night:

It is notified for general information that the impromptu emergency alarm system which was tested on Tuesday last, having proved unsatisfactory, tests of an alternative alarm device will be carried out on Monday, 6 December at 9.45 a.m. This alarm will consist of a combination of the sounds of a siren and a bell, and will be transmitted from the Broadcasting Studio through loudspeakers installed at the Post Office Building and at one other point in the Central District. As this test is being carried out on a limited scale it is not expected that the sound of the alarm will be heard outside the Central District.

PEACE PLAN SEEMS DOOMED TO FAILURE.

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they will reach their destination.—Reuter.

Asked To Join Anti-Red Pact

Shanghai, Dec. 3.
Well informed circles in Shanghai believe that the mediation efforts of the German Ambassador, Dr. Oscar Trautmann, in Nanking, are based on Chinese adherence to the anti-Comintern Pact, implying that additional Japanese advisers will be employed throughout the Chinese army, and a joint Sino-Japanese drive on Russia in the event of a Russo-Japanese war.

The Japanese are expected to ask for the most thorough co-operation from the Chinese in other fields, in which event the Japanese may possibly abandon thoughts of an autonomous regime in North China. It is expected that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek will make a counter-proposal.—United Press.

Japan's Conditions

Hankow, Dec. 3.
Negotiations which may decide the present Sino-Japanese conflict are proceeding at Kuling, where the German Ambassador, Dr. Trautmann, is reported to be trying to convince Marshal Chiang Kai-shek to agree to the Japanese peace conditions.

Sources close to the German Embassy report that the conditions include the following:

1. A semi-autonomous regime in North China with a Chinese administration and Japanese advisers.
2. A large Japanese concession in Shanghai; and
3. Revision of the Customs tariff.

These demands are obviously incomplete since they do not contain any reference to the Chinese military establishment or the political composition of the Government. Reports are that China will also be required to join the anti-Communist pact; but reports that Japan will agree to withdraw her troops from China in exchange for China's adherence to this pact are generally ridiculed.

The centre of the negotiations, it is believed, is Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, who thus far is firmly determined to continue the war despite the urgings of the Chinese conciliatory groups including Mr. Wang Ching-wai (Chairman of the Nanking Central Political Council).

The negotiations are opposed by the various patriotic groups, public opinion and the Soviets who are urging Marshal Chiang Kai-shek to continue the war to the bitter end.—United Press.

Three Japanese planes took part in the second raid, when two were shot down about three miles east of Chungshan Gate. A third was intercepted by Chinese fighters while on its way home and came down 11 miles west of Jungwamen Station.—Reuter.

DIPLOMATS' PROGRESS REPORTED

Though the exact whereabouts and plans of the Embassy party travelling from Hankow to Hongkong are not being revealed for reasons of caution, it is learned from Government this morning that the continued safe progress of the party has been reported by telegram.

Government expects them to arrive in the Colony on Monday, but how long the British party will stay before proceeding to Shanghai has not been decided. Mr. R. G. Howe, Charge d'Affaires and Mr. A. D. Blackburn, Chinese Counsellor, will stay at Government House and the others, including Mr. MacKillop, Diplomatic Counsellor, Mr. and Mrs. Graham, Mr. Macdonald and clerks will find their own accommodation.

Questioned as to the mode of travel from Canton to Hongkong, Government stated this had not been decided. Since the railway has been bombed almost daily, however, and there are several ships of H.M. West River gunboat flotilla at Canton, it would appear likely that the party will be brought to the Colony by sea.

KIANGYIN FORTS FALL AND TANYANG EVACUATED

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counter-offensive on Thursday, military advisers from the front state. It is added that a small Japanese garrison was stationed in the town and hurriedly withdrew following the arrival of the Chinese vanguards. The handful of Japanese plain-clothes men was driven out shortly after the main forces entered the town.—Central News.

Japanese Planes Scout Over Chekiang

Hangchow, Dec. 4.
Japanese pursuit planes and bombers are continuing to scout over various districts in Chekiang presumably trying to locate the exact positions of the Chinese forces.

A fleet of six Japanese machines was sighted over Wenzhou, Haimen, Ningbo, Ningpo and Hailungshan yesterday but after a brief reconnaissance the machines disappeared towards the north-east without dropping any bombs.—Central News.

PRINCE NOW RECOVERING

The Hague, Dec. 3.
Prince Bernhard, husband of Princess Juliana of the Netherlands, is now well on the way to recovery after his recent motor accident. A bulletin states that stitches were removed from the wound to his head without complications.—Reuter.

PICTORIAL SUPPLEMENT

Owing to the large demand for copies of to-day's "Telegraph" subsequent to the printing of the Pictorial Supplement, this edition is issued without the Supplement.

Berlin's Denial

Berlin, Dec. 3.
It is said that Dr. Trautmann's arrival in Nanking is not connected with German intentions to undertake mediation for peace in the Orient.—United Press.

STOP PRESS NEWS

WARNING NOTE IN JAPANESE STORY OF H.K.

Tokyo, Dec. 4.
If Hongkong is used by the Chinese leaders as a base for anti-Japanese operations, a fresh question might arise, says Domei New Agency, semi-official organ of Japan to-day.

The War Minister, General Sugiyama, reported to the Cabinet to-day that 50 Soviet aeroplanes have already arrived in China, including 20 at Canton and 20 at Nanking. The other ten are at Sianfu, according to reliable information, the Minister said.—Reuter.

Reuter's Canton correspondent states that the authorities there categorically deny that any Soviet planes have been received.

SIZE-AN RECAPTURED

Shanghai, Dec. 4.
Size-An is reported to have been retaken after one of the most furious engagements since the opening of hostilities.

Meanwhile Chinese troops have withdrawn from Kiangyin Forts after defending the stronghold against sustained Japanese naval and aerial bombardments and infantry attacks for days.

The men, commanded by General Oong Chao-yuan, withdrew in orderly fashion after the defences had been shattered by a Japanese bombardment, according to Chinese reports.—Reuter.

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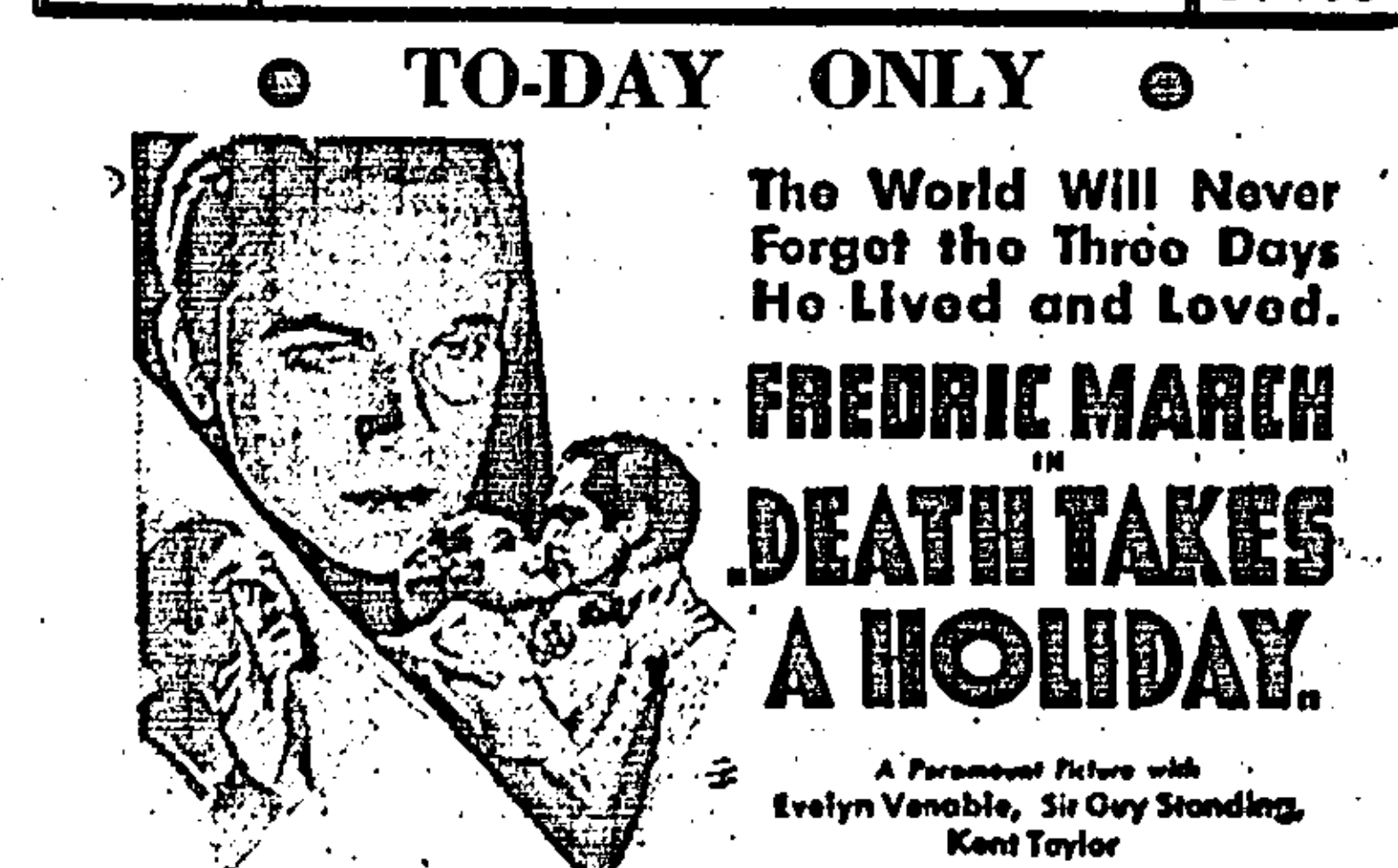
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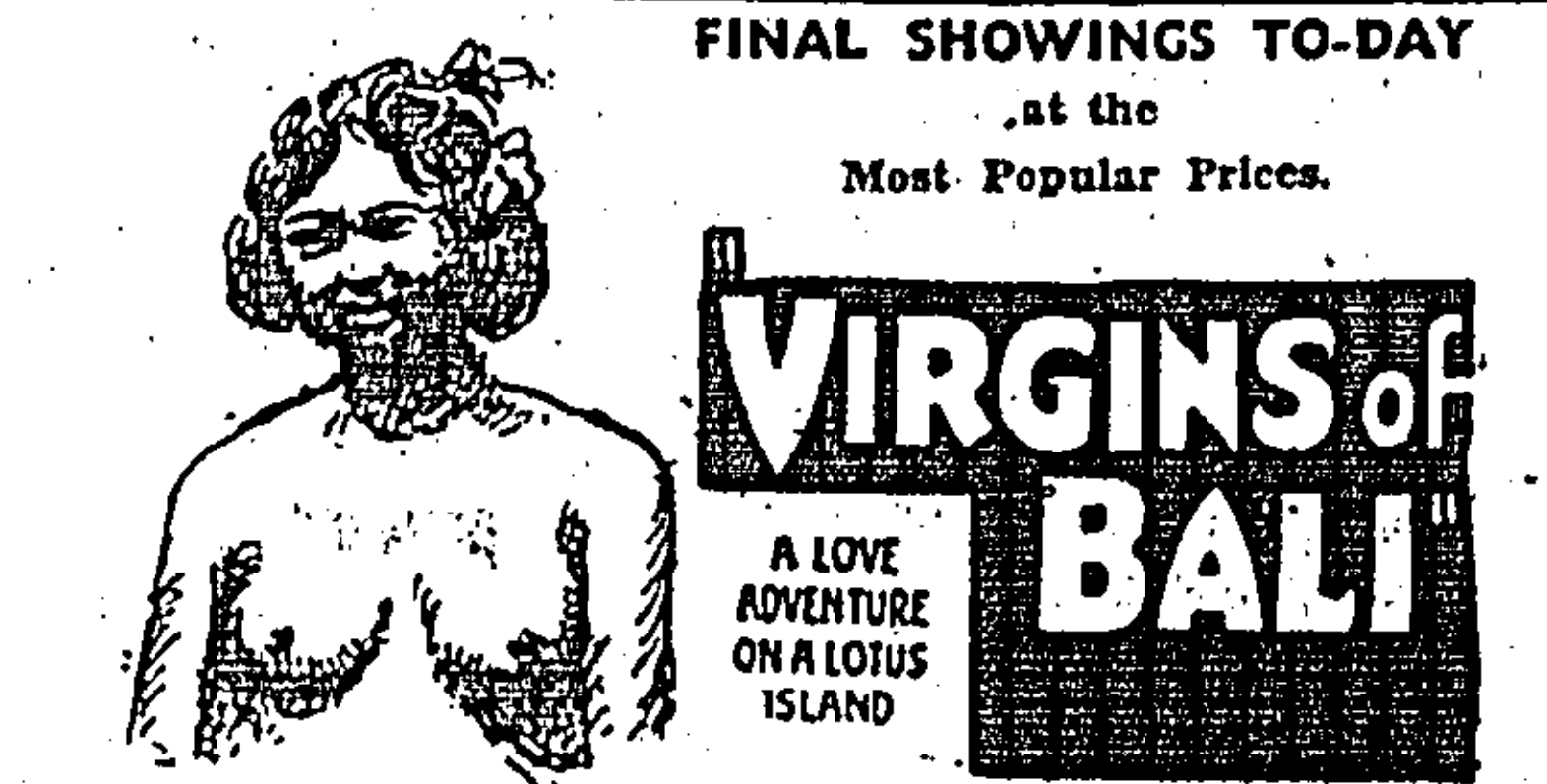
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